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SHANGHAI FALLS.

Gen. Ho Ying-ching Easily Takes City.

REBUFF FOR NANKING.

Opportunity For Chiang to Make Good.

ARMY CORPS DISARMED.

Shanghai having fallen into the hands of his most capable commander, General Chiang Kai-shek may soon become once more an active factor in China's affairs.

Chiang Kai-shek's return is predicted by General Ho Ying-ching and if the latter remains loyal to his leader, the ex-commander-in-chief will be able to try again.

With very little fighting, General Ho Ying-ching has practically annexed Shanghai, gaining for himself a rich prize and depriving the Nanking Government of both power and prestige.

VERY LITTLE FIGHTING.

Shanghai, Yesterday.

General Ho Ying-ching states that the disarmament of the 31st Nationalist Army Corps was carried out by the orders of the Military Council at Nanking. The Council being suspicious of the disloyalty of the 31st Army Corps ordered them to entrain for Nanking and arranged the necessary rail transport; simultaneously, with machine-gun traps at various points, were able to overpower any resistance.

The successful carrying out of the plans resulted in disarming practically all the troops adhering to General Chow Feng-chi, leaving General Ho Ying-ching in control of the Shanghai area and Chekiang province.

Coming Back Soon.

General Ho Ying-ching forecasts Mr. Hu Han-min's return to the fold in the near future, followed up later by General Chiang Kai-shek. — Reuter.

WAR AT SHANGHAI?

Attitude of Other Nanking Generals.

Whether the other Nanking generals, such as Li Tsung-jen and Bei Chung-hsi, will continue to guard the banks of the Yangtze and leave Shanghai alone, remains to be seen. Should they respond to General Ho Ying-ching's challenge, Shanghai will be the scene of fighting and the consequences may be far-reaching. But the Nanking generals will be risking another offensive by the Northerners should they turn round on Shanghai.

Position Explained.
Mr. Hu Han-min (referred to by Reuter) was one of the politicians at Nanking who resigned in sympathy with Chiang Kai-shek. He has refused to attend the peace conference at Nanking and must therefore be considered as a supporter of Chiang Kai-shek.

It should be explained that this latest coup has no connection with the "Shanghai faction" which is mixed up with the Nanking and Wu-Han factions. In the Party squabble, the "Shanghai faction" is the right wing of the Party, comprising politicians without any military backing.

Securing Control.
Till the last two days, Shanghai was part of the territory held by the Nanking faction. Nominally, General Ho Ying-ching is subordinate to the Military Council at Nanking, by whose authority he professes to act. Actually, he has brought off a coup against his colleagues, by placing a cordon around Shanghai and thus securing its control.

The messages given above confirm yesterday's reports in the "China Mail," as to there having been three distinct actions.

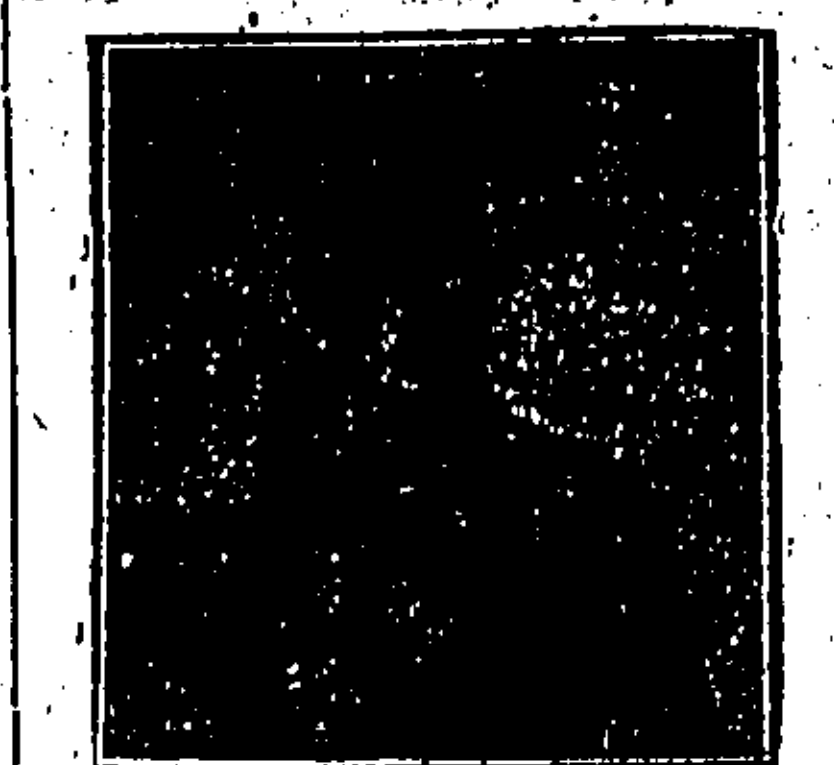
The result is that General Ho Ying-ching not only holds Shanghai, but he is in a dominant position along the railway from Shanghai to Nanking. That he holds the whip hand in Chekiang province is also apparent.

Chiang Kai-shek.

Accordingly, if Chiang Kai-shek should come forward again, he will have Shanghai as his "big stick" and Chekiang province as a background for the 1st Army of which he was the original commander. He will, of course, be certain of Ho Ying-ching's unflinching loyalty before he makes a move.

Shanghai, Yesterday.
The report that Chiang Kai-shek has arrived at Hangchow (capital of Chekiang province) is incorrect.

He may go to Hangchow in a few days to discuss military mat-



General Ho Ying-ching, the man of the hour at Shanghai, who may restore Chiang Kai-shek.

ters with General Ho Ying-ching. — "Hong Kong Evening Post."

CHOW FENG-CHI.

Moving Away From Shanghai to Hangchow.

General Chow Feng-chi is also mentioned by Reuter. He had troops in the vicinity of Shanghai and their presence constitutes an obstacle to General Ho Ying-ching. This obstacle has been removed.

Shanghai, Yesterday.
This morning General Chow Feng-chi transferred his troops from Shanghai to Hangchow (capital of Chekiang province). A high degree of vigilance was maintained by the departing troops when they boarded their trains at Shanghai south station. It is predicted that General Ho Ying-ching will attempt to disarm Chow Feng-chi's army. — "Kung Sheng Yat Po."

Two Generals Detained.
According to one report, General Ho Ying-ching gave as his reason for disarming the 31st Army the allegation that this unit was not up to the strength of an army corps and he therefore had to reorganise it.

Two generals of the 31st Army are stated to be in custody, detained by General Ho Ying-ching at the headquarters of the Shanghai Defence Commissioner. They are the vice-commander of the army and the commander of one of the three divisions.

Intrigue at Garden.
A later despatch says that General Chow Feng-chi is definitely withdrawing into Chekiang province away from Shanghai, and that his posts are taking special precautions.

SINGAPORE BASE.

New Zealand Considers Contribution.

NO AFFRONT TO JAPAN.

How Troops Were Conveyed During The War.

Wellington, Yesterday.

In the House of Representatives, in introducing the Government's Naval defence proposals, the chief feature of which relates to New Zealand's contribution to the Singapore base, the Premier, Mr. Coates, emphasised that no affront to Japan was in any way contemplated by the construction of the base. Japan's action in the great war was unforgettable, especially the visit of Japanese warships to New Zealand to assist in conveying troops. — Reuter.

Long Trade Routes.

London, Yesterday.
New naval defence proposals were introduced in the New Zealand House of Representatives by Mr. Coates, the Premier. Mr. Coates said these proposals, the main feature of which was the contribution to the Singapore base, would bring the Dominion's naval expenditure up to ten shillings per head of population. He declared that the construction of the Singapore base contemplated no affront to Japan, whose unforgettable services in the Great War he recalled. But he said that New Zealand was bound to shoulder a fair share of the Imperial naval burden considering the long trade routes which had to be defended. — British Wireless Service.

there, with General Bei Pao-shan, with a view to influencing the loyalty of officers of the 31st Army.

TANG SENG-CHI.

30,000 Men Marching on Chekiang.

While there is dissent among the Nanking generals, the "strong man" of the Wu-Han faction is showing more evidence of his desire to set up his own government. Contrary to established Nationalist orders, General Tang Seng-chi is going to organise his army with the brigade as the basis of a unit, instead of the division. He will have ten autonomous brigades in a "model army."

He will also have his own "navy," to be termed the 2nd Yangtze Flotilla (or squadron). The two gunboats which he "borrowed" from Nanking have been renamed and incorporated into this unit.

Commander of "Grand Army."
The "Kung Sheng Yat Po" reports that General Tang Seng-chi is still moving some of his troops down the Yangtze River. (Minor clashes at points between Hankow and Nanking were reported in yesterday's Naval wireless).

Tang Seng-chi has five armies under his command (8th, 19th, 30th, 36th, 38th); his title now being equivalent to that of "commander-in-chief of the 4th Grand Army."

Troops Go East.

Shanghai, Yesterday.
General Ho Chien (36th Army) and General Liu Hsing (36th Army), both under Tang Seng-chi, are moving their troops eastwards from Wuhu (on the Yangtze) to attack Chekiang province (the present stronghold of Chiang Kai-shek).

About 30,000 men are on the march. — "Hong Kong Evening Post."

Independence.

Shanghai, Sept. 21.
It is reported that Tang Seng-chi is declaring his independence to-day. — Reuter.

WITH DUE POMP.

Those Present at Nanking Ceremony.
Nanking's peace conference has been successful to the extent of coming to a number of important conclusions, but it remains to be seen whether the various generals will carry out its decisions. When the new government was inaugurated on Tuesday with due pomp and ceremony, a review of the 19th Army was held.

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TWICE ATTACKED.

Pirate Attempts on Small Vessel.

SECOND LOT TOO LATE.

Armed Row Boat Holds Up Motor Ship.

Attacks by two different gangs of pirates were made on a small Canton motor vessel during one trip, the second gang having to go away empty-handed because they were forestalled by the first. Only two months ago, the motor ferry "Lo On" was pirated and the owners put her on another run. When she last left Canton a few days ago, with cargo and passengers, she met with ill-luck again.

In a narrow part of the Canton River delta, a rowboat came across her bows and she had to stop as the three pirates in the boat were armed. These three pirates at once took control, one at the wheel, another at the engine room and the third in the passengers' quarters. — \$1,000 Loot.

Proceeding a little further under the pirates' orders, the "Lo On" met a bigger row-boat with a dozen pirates. Once the latter had boarded the ferry, the gang collected everything they could and then left.

The loot amounts to about \$1,000, the biggest loser being a Chinese lady from Hong Kong who was going home with several hundreds of dollars for her son's wedding.

Shortly afterwards, the "Lo On" was challenged by the second gang who were informed by the crew that everything had been taken. The pirates looked the ferry over and then left.

Two external attacks by pirates on one voyage of a motor vessel is probably unique, even on the Canton River.

CONFUCIUS DAY.

CHINESE HOLIDAY IN HONG KONG.

2,478TH ANNIVERSARY.

The 2,478th anniversary of the birth of Confucius, China's greatest sage, was observed in time-honoured custom in Hong Kong to-day.

Most of the Chinese business concerns took a holiday and it is interesting to note that the five-barred banner of the Chinese Republic was just as prominent as the Nationalist flag (12-pointed "sun" on a blue jack with red ground).

The Confucian Society had its ceremony at the Tai Ping Theatre and there were other gatherings at Messrs. Sincere's roof garden, Lee Garden and the Kau U Fong theatre.

The lanterns outside the shops are issued by the local Confucian societies. Crowds gathered at Nam Pak Hong last night and the entrance to Wing On (piece goods) Street to read the merchants' couplets and to watch the annual display in the specially constructed arches.

SILK THEFTS.

TWO CHINESE SENT TO JAIL.

In connection with the attempted larceny of silk from Messrs. Chellam's store, Detective Sergeant Baker this morning charged two Chinese men and a woman before Major C. Willson at the Central Magistracy.

The woman was said to have entered the shop in the company of the first man and asked to be shown some silk. While the woman was examining the silk, the second man came in and stood behind the other. First male defendant was seen by a shop assistant to pass a roll of silk to the second man, who concealed it under his long coat. The assistant had all three defendants arrested.

The woman was discharged by the Magistrate on account of insufficient evidence. The men were both convicted. The first man, who had a previous conviction against him, was sentenced to two months' jail, while the other received six weeks' hard labour.

SHOT BY JAPANESE.

Chinese Attempt to Enter Hankow Concession.

GUARD BAYONETTED.

Soldiers Dispersed By Marine's Machine Gun Fire.

Hankow, Yesterday.
There were several Chinese casualties outside the Japanese Concession this morning as a result of machine-gun fire by Japanese naval ratings. The incident arose out of Chinese soldiers trying to force the Concession gate. A Japanese sailor who was posted outside on guard was bayoneted in the neck and fired in self-defence. His comrades inside the Concession then opened fire.

The Chinese troops dispersed and all is quiet at present. — British Naval Wireless.

Boycott Removed.

Ichang, Yesterday.
Boycott difficulties having now been removed, British steamers are running between Ichang and Shashi. — British Naval Wireless.

Later Account.

This morning, Japanese naval men removed fifty Chinese soldiers from a Nishen Kisen Kaisha steamer, disarmed them and held them under arrest pending the arrival of a Chinese squad.

On the arrival of the latter, a Japanese sentry in the Japanese concession was wounded in the neck by a Chinese bayonet and fired in self-defence. This was followed by machine-gun fire resulting in one Chinese being killed and a few wounded.

Later, the situation eased down to normal. General Gallen is reported to have left down-river, probably for Nanking. — Reuter.

A STREET FIGHT.

FRACAS IN EX-BRITISH CONCESSION.

Hankow, Yesterday.
There was a fracas in the ex-British concession last evening when a gang armed with automatics successfully rescued a uniformed prisoner believed to be a Communist leader arrested on board a Japanese steamer from a Chinese escort when passing through one of the most crowded thoroughfares of Hankow.

The gang opened fire at point-blank range. The escort replied. A number of passers-by were killed and wounded.

The prisoner escaped in the confusion but several of the gang were taken prisoner.

Martial law has been proclaimed, streets are barricaded and heavily patrolled by the military.

There is no doubt that the attempt was made by a well-organised Communist group conspiring against the Wu-Han Government. — Reuter.

SHANGHAI STRIKE.

MORE DOCK WORKERS CONCERNED.

Shanghai, To-day.
The Shanghai Dock and Engineering Company's strike at the Pootung works has extended to the Tungksado Dock old dock, where 2,000 are rendered idle. The strike arose from the dismissal of workers at Pootung for leaving after checking in. — Reuter.

SCHNEIDER CUP.

London, Yesterday.

Sir Philip Sassoon, Under Secretary for Air, left Lyons early to-day in a Fairley machine piloted by Flight Lt. James Williams for Venice, to witness the Schneider Cup race next Sunday. After a flight lasting three quarters of an hour, however, the machine returned to Lyons, bad weather preventing the pilot from getting across the French coast. Conditions were so bad that the machine almost collided with the cliffs on one attempt to cross the coast line.

On hearing later that conditions had improved Sir P. Sassoon set off again. He reached Lyons at twenty minutes to ten this afternoon after a non-stop flight of 450 miles. After a day for lunch and refuelling the flight was resumed at half past five, the flight and Sir P. Sassoon's hopes for a victory this evening. — British Wireless Service.

CANTON WELCOME.

Ironsides Return To Capital.

A LARGE FORCE.

Whampoa Military Academy To Be Closed.

Canton yesterday welcomed the vanguard of the returning Ironsides, the name given to the Cantonese army under General Chang Fah-hui. War honours have been won by this unit in Chiang Kai-shek's northern expedition from Canton to Hankow. After being involved in political changes in central China, the army is now returning home in triumph.

General Chang Fah-hui was formerly a division commander under General Li Chai-sum, who holds Canton, but his military strength is now equal to that of his chief.

Generals Expected To-day.

The main body is at Shuiukwan, the northern terminus of the Canton-Hankow Railway (Kwangtung section) and there may be other detachments fur-



General Chang Fah-hui, whose army of "Ironsides" is returning to Canton.

ther way. There are about 20,000 infantrymen in the army as well as other branches.

A good deal of enthusiasm was shown in the city when the 2,000 "war veterans" marched in from Wonghsa railway station. The men are now accommodated in a suburb to the east of the city. Canton expects the commanding officers and their staffs to-day.

Campaign Against Rebels.
Trouble still exists in the East River area where pro-Canton Government units are being despatched to quell the disturbances. Troops of General Li Fook-lam (6th Army) of Honan are going to that front.

Encouraged by the quarrels in the Nationalist Party, former adherents of deposed Cantonese generals are attempting to bring about a rising near the East River. In isolated places, the banner of General Hsu Shung-chi has been unfurled but it is not anticipated that more than a thousand men will join the cause of the ex-commander-in-chief who was ousted by Chiang Kai-shek.

There is still talk of General Chen Chung-ming's subordinates making a serious bid for power but this ex-governor of Canton's following is practically extinct.

Delegates to Shanghai.

A delegate is being sent by General Li Chai-sum to Shanghai to induce General Chiang Kai-shek and Mr. Wang Ching-wei to return to office, the former as commander-in-chief and the latter as chairman of the Kuomintang. General Li Fook-lam, who holds Honan (opposite Canton city) is sending a representative to interview Chiang Kai-shek, the fashion now being for all generals to send somebody if only out of courtesy.

Whampoa Military Academy, whence came the Cadets that made Chiang Kai-shek famous two years ago, is to be closed. This decision may be construed as the severance of another link between Chiang Kai-shek and Canton.

Bank Robbers Arrested.
Two notorious bank robbers of Canton have been arrested, having been at large for two years.

Y.M.C.A. RAIDED.

European Ejected In Bombay.

"RED" LITERATURE.

Pamphlet on "India And China" Found In Room.

Bombay, Sept. 7.

The police raided the Central Y.M.C.A. at Wodehouse Road, Bombay, last night and recovered from a room occupied by a European named Spratt a quantity of proscribed Communist literature relating to China.

Spratt was forthwith turned out of the Y.M.C.A. by the Secretary.

Spratt's Activities.

The Deputy Commissioner of Police, armed with a warrant issued by the Chief Presidency Magistrate, raided the room, accompanied by a C.I.D. Inspector and Sergeant, and took charge of certain literature proscribed by Government.

The literature is believed to consist of copies of a pamphlet entitled "India and China," in connection with which the office of the "Indian National Herald" was raided recently.

Spratt's activities in Bombay have been closely followed by the C.I.D. He arrived here about a year ago, as a delegate of the Labour Research Institute, London, and the professed object of his visit was to organise labour in this country and open an Institute and branches.

Since his arrival he has worked with the local Communist organisation known as the Worker's and Peasant's Party.

He recently visited Lahore and stayed with the Diwan Chamanlal, champion of Labour in the North.

The Y.M.C.A. Committee held an urgent meeting and decided to eject Spratt from the premises.

AUSTRIA TO OXFORD.

STUDENTS' JOURNEY IN CANOE.

London, Yesterday.

Two Austrian students, Wilhelm Ehrl and Walter Klammeyer, are at present paddling a canoe up the Thames to Oxford. They left Vienna on July 8 in their vessel, which is of rubber, is 14 feet long and weighs 60 lbs., and they have come all the way by river and sea.

They crossed the English Channel from Boulogne to St. Margaret's Bay in eight hours. They left London Bridge for Oxford this morning. — British Wireless Service.

GONE TO SIAM?

SESSIONS PRISONER FAILS TO APPEAR.

ALLEGED BRIBERY SEQUEL.

A Chinese who should have surrendered to his bail at the Criminal Sessions this morning to answer a charge of alleged attempted bribery of a constable in connection with the sale of "poppi" (Macao lottery) tickets, failed to appear when his name was called.

Asked by His Lordship (Mr. Justice J. E. Wood) if anything were known as to his whereabouts, the Crown Solicitor (Mr. H. K. Holmes) said that enquiries had been made and it was believed that the man had gone to Siam.

His Lordship did not make an order for the retreatment of the \$1,000 bail but adjourned the matter until after the Sessions had been concluded (the last case is fixed for hearing on Monday).

during which they brought off a number of daring coups.

Rumours are current in Canton that police detectives are on the track of Communist conspirators concerned in plots against the three railway running out of Canton city. It will be recalled that the Canton-Kowloon line (Chinese section) was intercepted with a train and a train was derailed on the Canton-Hankow line. The third line is that from Canton to Samshui.

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Haverá em seguida um chá dançante.
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A. E. S. ALVES,
Secretario.
Hong Kong, 19 de Setembro 1927.

NOTICE.

NELSON DAY.

THROUGH the courtesy of the HONG KONG AMUSEMENTS, LTD. the NAVY LEAGUE will hold their ANNUAL CONCERT at 9.30 p.m. on FRIDAY, 21st October in the QUEEN'S THEATRE.

Further particulars will be published later.

L. M. WHYTE,
Hon. Secretary,
Navy League (Hong Kong Branch),
Hong Kong, 20th September, 1927.

HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

DRAFT Programmes and Entry Forms for the SIXTH EXTRA RACE MEETING to be held on SATURDAY, 8th October, 1927, & MONDAY, 10th October, 1927 (weather permitting) may be obtained at the Race Course, Hong Kong Club and Causeway Bay Stables.

Entries will close at Twelve O'clock Noon, on SATURDAY, 24th September, 1927.

Hong Kong, 2nd September, 1927.

MOON CAKE TIME.

STORY OF ATTACK AT LAICHIKOK.

CHINESE CHARGED.

In Mr. W. Schofield's Court at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday, a Chinese was charged with complicity in an attempted robbery at No. 173 Laichikok Road on the night of September 8, when three men gained admission to the house on the pretext of bringing a present of moon cakes. The only people in the place at the time (10 p.m.) were an elderly married woman and her daughter-in-law.

When asked their business the men who had knocked at the door said that they wished to see the elder woman's son, for whom they had brought a present. The woman unwittingly admitted the visitors, while the daughter-in-law went to fetch her husband. When the man returned, he was given an address written on a piece of paper and told that the present was obtainable at that address.

After a while one of the trio, who appeared to be the leader of the gang, called the old woman's son into the kitchen on the pretext of having something important to tell him. Here the man produced a dagger and threatened the son. A struggle ensued and the son succeeded in disarming the robber.

In the meantime the other two had tackled the females, but when the son appeared with his would-be assailant's dagger in his hand, the robbers became unnerved and all three made a bolt for freedom. Chase was given, an alarm was raised, an Indian constable joined in the pursuit of the fugitives, and the man in Court was arrested. He was alleged to have been the man who tackled the elder woman. When searched at the Police Station, two metal instruments were found in his possession. The case was adjourned.

Report has it that the income of the recent Far Eastern Games was approximately \$77,000 and the expenses \$100,000.

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THIS MORNING'S LIST.

"Hop Sang" (1,350) British; from Swatow.—Jardine's—4 passengers, 576 tons general cargo for Hong Kong, 287 tons general (through).

"Teucer" (5,762) British, from Shanghai.—B. and S.—40 tons general cargo for Hong Kong, 4,653 tons general (through).

"Soochow" (1,594) British, from Swatow.—B. and S.—219 passengers, 250 tons general cargo for Hong Kong, 120 tons general (through).

"Hai Hong" (1,270) British, from Swatow.—Douglas—444 passengers, 500 tons general cargo for Hong Kong.

"Kanchow" (1,222) British, from Amoy.—B. and S.—45 passengers, 115 tons general cargo for Hong Kong, 6 tons general (through).

"Hydrangea" (561) British, from Swatow.—Chiu On S.S. Co.—168 passengers, 95 tons general cargo for Hong Kong.

"West Holbrook" (5,376) American, from Legaspi, P.I.—Col. Pacific—423 tons general cargo (through).

"Song Bo" (720) French, from Haiphong.—M.M.—13 passengers, 1,000 tons general cargo for Hong Kong.

"Fiume L" (3,890) Italian, from Shanghai.—Dodwell & Co.—21 passengers, 1 motor car for Hong Kong, 3,560 tons general cargo (through).

"Nurnberg" (3,194) German, from Singapore.—Melchers & Co.—740 tons general cargo for Hong Kong, 5,389 tons general (through).

"Kathe" (906) German, from Dairen.—Kwong Mow Tai—2,300 tons beans for Hong Kong.

"Delhi" (2,006) Swedish, from Shanghai.—Gilman & Co.—6,220 tons general cargo (through).

"Madoera" (5,042) Dutch, from Manila.—J.C.L.—1 passenger, 447 tons general cargo for Hong Kong, 3,000 tons general (through).

"Svale" (1,354) Norwegian, from Swatow.—Lee Fat & Co.—329 passengers.

"Hozan Maru" Japanese, from Swatow.—O.S.K. and M.B.K.—117 passengers, 685 tons general cargo for Hong Kong.

"Ikoman Maru" (1,953) Japanese, from Dairen.—M.B.K.—1,635 tons coal for Hong Kong, 2,565 tons coal (through).

"Kyul Maru" (3,390) Japanese, from Yamashita Kisen & Co.—5,401 tons coal for Hong Kong.

"Sunning" (1,670) British, from Canton.—B. and S.—4 passengers.

"Deli Maru" (1,293) Japanese, from Canton.—O.S.K.

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For Saigon:—Yuen Jeng.
For Swatow:—Cheong Shing.
For Overstraten:—Yat Shing.
For Autau:—Tak Hing.
For Hoihow:—Yan On.
For Hongay:—Kasugasan Maru.
For Orja:—Hanyang.

For Singapore:—Teucer, Fiume L, Delhi, Glangarry.
For Kwong Chow Wan:—Taisze-ma.

For Canton:—Sochow.
For Manila:—Emp. of Canada.
For Takao:—Madoera.
For Kobe:—West Holbrook.
For Wei-hai-wei:—Yei Jun Maru.

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Shipping Abstract.

	Arrivals	Departures	Port
British	7	2	26
Japanese	3	1	7
Norwegian	1	1	9
Chinese	0	1	6
Dutch	1	2	1
French	1	0	2
German	2	0	1
American	1	1	1
Italian	1	1	0
Swedish	1	1	0
Panama	0	0	1
Portuguese	0	0	4
	18	19	57

MISSION TO SEAMEN.

The following subscriptions have been received by the Missions to Seamen since last list published:—
Hong Kong Jockey Club \$1,000.00
Canadian Pacific Ocean Services 153.39
Hong Kong Tramways Ltd. 100.00
Hong Kong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co. Ltd. 100.00
St. Andrew's Church 100.00
China Light & Power Co. 50.00

MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

The P. & O. s.s. "Nyanza" left Singapore for this port on September 17 at 7 a.m. with the outward Mails, and is due here to-day.

The Ben Line s.s. "Benvenue" from Leith, Middlebro, Antwerp, London, Straits and Philippines, is due to arrive here to-morrow.

The O.S.K. s.s. "Seattle Maru" is due here to-morrow from Calcutta and will sail on September 24 for Japan ports.

The O.S.K. s.s. "Bingo Maru" is expected here on September 24 for Japan and will sail on September 25 for Calcutta via Singapore, Penang and Rangoon.

The O.S.K. s.s. "Sourabaya Maru" is expected here on September 26 from Java and will sail for Japan ports via Takao and Keelung on September 27.

The P. & O. s.s. "Lahore" left Singapore for this port yesterday at 11 a.m. with the outward Mails, and is due here on September 27 at about 5 a.m.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Canada" (Capt. S. Robinson, C.B.E., R.N.R.), from Manila, is due here at 8 a.m. on October 3, and will berth at Pier No. 5, Kowloon Wharf. She will leave here for Victoria and Vancouver, B.C., via Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama on October 5 at noon.

The M.V. s.s. "Japan" (Swedish East Asiatic Co., Ltd.), left Antwerp on September 2, and is due here on or about October 12.

The M.V. "Romolo" (Dodwell & Co., Ltd.) sailed from Aden on September 12, and is due in Hong Kong on October 13.

The s.s. "Kendal Castle" (Dodwell & Co., Ltd.) sailed from New York on September 20, and is due in Hong Kong on October 14.

The following vessels of the Compagnie des Messageries Maritimes are expected to arrive in Hong Kong:—

S.S. "D'Artagnan" September 27.
S.S. "Capitaine Faure" September 20.
S.S. "General Metzinger" October 11.

S.S. "Si-Kiang" October 21.
S.S. "Sphinx" October 25.
S.S. "Porthos" November 9.

British Lines Also.
The Mitsui Bussan Kaisha made an early settlement but owing to the fact that some British shipping lines, notably the Anchor Line, had not paid, the Japanese lines have waited to see what settlement they made.

WAR TIME CLAIMS.

CONTROVERSY BETWEEN U.S.A. & JAPANESE COMPANIES.

Tokyo, August 24.

A long-standing controversy between leading Japanese shipping companies and the American Government over the payment of war time profits taxes reached a new development here on Monday with the arrival of a group of American accountants to examine the books of the Japanese firms.

Payment said to be due to the United States from the Nippon Yusen Kaisha, the Osaka Shosen Kaisha and the Toyo Kisen Kaisha have been claimed since 1916, when the American government levied a special tax on excess profits to raise revenues for carrying on the war. The Japanese firms having offices in America and doing business there came under the regulations, which were in effect from 1916 to 1919. Disagreement about the rates and the system of taxation caused irregularity of payment during the period of enforcement. Although a part of the taxes were paid, certain amounts are still outstanding and a basis for their payment has not been reached.

It is expected that the accountants, headed by A. E. Carpenter of Price, Waterhouse and Company of New York, will go through the books of the firms and assist them in making a new statement which may finally prove satisfactory.

"Costs of Service."

Mr. Noboru Otani, vice-president of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha, said yesterday that there were now hopes that the question might be cleared up.

"The difficulty has been over what exact regulations governed our companies in making payments and what should be the basis of payments. There were several bases considered at different times which caused confusion."

"The American Government has now hinted that a settlement upon the so-called 'costs of service' basis will be acceptable. This is not an official statement but only a suggestion. This basis even is very complicated. Included in the confusion was the passage of a new law in 1921 which relieved some firms from payments. It was necessary to establish whether this was retroactive. A similar difficulty arose over the reciprocal agreement between the United States and Japan in 1923 over the taxation of foreign firms doing international business under the jurisdiction of the other state. All these and other questions had to be settled."

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SHIP LAWS.

RETURN TO WAR TONNAGE FAVOURED.

Fear that replacement of foreign ships in the inter-island coastwise trade by new ones and the restoration of their pre-war tonnage might lead to the extension of the United States shipping laws to the Philippines was expressed at the meeting of the house committee on navigation, says a Manila paper.

The committee, however, will study carefully the recommendations of the Morton shipping committee in order to ascertain if something can be done to carry them out, including the return of the pre-war tonnage, without danger of the American shipping laws being applied in the Philippines.

The navigation committee decided to ask Acting Governor General Gilmore for a copy of the Morton committee report. The findings in this report and suggestions of Filipino shipowners will be studied thoroughly, it was said.

It was intimated that the ship subsidy bill introduced by Juan Alcazaren, chairman of the house committee on navigation, will be pushed through, as it is believed to be the best solution of the shipping problem in Manila. The committee approved the bill making compulsory the installation of radio equipment on all inter-island steamers, it was learned from Representative Juan Alcazaren, chairman of the committee.

Chairman Alcazaren said the measure merited prompt consideration, as it is designed to improve the inter-island shipping service.

According to the provisions of the proposed law, all ships operated in the coastwise trade should be equipped with radio facilities.

A Throtling Amendment. Notwithstanding threats of throttling contemplated amendment to the coastwise law, there is strong sentiment in favour of relaxing the restrictions of existing laws to improve the shipping service. Senators Juan Sumulong, Juan Alegre and Jose Ledesma, last Thursday expressed a desire to see changes that would permit foreigners to give the public a shipping service both efficient and adequate if the Filipino shipowner cannot give it.

They all declared there is an evident lack of tonnage, the service is poor, and nearly all the vessels are too old to afford safety or comfort to passengers. Senator Alegre said the islands have not progressed in its shipping since American occupation and have about the worst water transportation in the world. Senator Ledesma favours a limited relaxation of the law but would not permit total replacement of lost tonnage of foreign shipowners as a matter of protection to Filipino shipowners.

Senator Sumulong averred that Filipino shipowners are making money in the business. He says he knows it from very reliable sources that Philippine firms and ship operators are reaping no inconsiderable profit yearly but believes the gain would be more if the ships were newer and the cost of operations less. The purchase of new vessels, he explained, would reduce the cost of maintenance and repair.

THE "BLACK PRINCE."

A JAPANESE UNDERTAKING.

Moscow, Sept. 2.

As reported from Sevastopol, the Japanese Deep Water Engineering Company is carrying out works under water for lifting up the hull of the "Black Prince," which contains a cargo of gold. The work is going on in the straight entrance to Balaklava Bay at a great depth under the slopes of vertical and rocky mountains, on the summit of which the ruins of the towers of Genoa fortress are still seen.

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The wreck survivors were dressed in black undershirts, the same garments they had on when they were picked up starving on Camiguin Island. All their belongings sank with the boats, they said.

The mariners are shell fishers who come from Calape, Bohol. They manned the Dalmacio, Santa Filomena, De la Paz, Belhica and another boat, and fished for shells along the western coast of Luzon. A typhoon overtook them on August 18, driving their vessels into Plo Quinto Bay. One vessel drifted to the northern coast of Ilocos Norte.

Four of the boats foundered near the coast of Camaguin Island. Fifty-four fishermen, all veteran shell divers, had no difficulty swimming to the coast of Camaguin, one of the islands of the Babuyan group.

ANOTHER LABOUR CRUISE.

PERMANENT SERVICE TO HONOLULU CONTEMPLATED.

Madrigal and Company, shipowners and coal merchants, Manila, are reported contemplating a permanent ship service between Manila and Honolulu as a result of the trip of the s.s. "Consuelo," which recently took 778 Filipino labourers there.

It was learned from an employee of the company on September 16, says the "Manila Bulletin," that the "Consuelo's" trip to Honolulu was financially successful, although the outward going cargo was small. The return trip, however, is said to have been much more profitable, there having been plenty of cargo from Honolulu to Japan and from Japan to Manila.

The first step to realise the proposed establishment of a Manila-Honolulu service line will be taken next month when one of the Madrigal boats again will take Filipino labourers to Hawaii on a charter party contract. A similar number of labourers, approximately 800, are believed prepared to leave by that time with assurance of employment on arrival at Hawaii, it was learned, provided they are of the right kind.

Cayetano Ligot, labour commissioner in Hawaii, said the establishment of permanent ship service by Madrigal and Company is welcome. He sees no objection to it except by competing ship companies.

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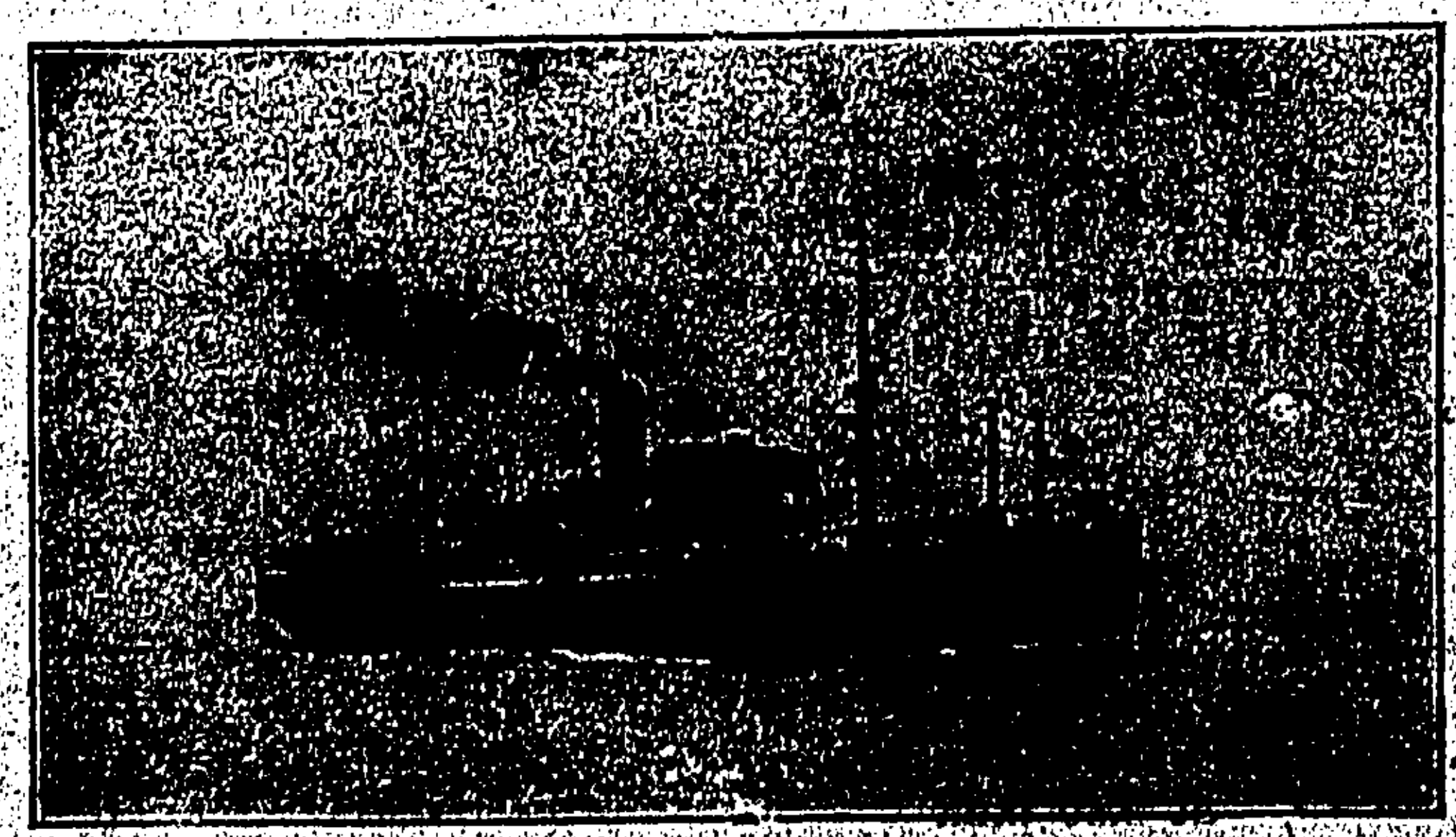
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ANOTHER NEW GOVERNMENT.

Amongst the millions who
populate China there is no sign of
enthusiasm at the advent of yet
another new Nationalist Govern-
ment in Nanking. All that can be
said of the new regime is that the
differences formerly existing be-
tween Nanking and Wuhan have
been superficially healed; but it is
not more likely than any of its
predecessors to find a specific for
the ills to which China is heir.
Already Generals not of the
Nanking persuasion are adopting
a bellicose attitude toward the
new Government, and Tang Seng-
chi is declaring his independence
at Chinkiang. General Ho Ying-
ching is now supreme in Shang-
hai, and sections of Nationalist
armies have been indulging in re-
criminations against each other.
Further south, General Li Chai-
sam seems bent on consolidating
his hold on the two Kwangs, and
it would surprise no one were he,
too, to declare his independence
of the new Nanking Government.

Far from clearing the air the
union of Nanking and Wuhan
with the installation of a new
regime in the former centre ap-
pears only to be adding to the
already complicated maze of
Chinese politics. It cer-
tainly does not bring the end of
the civil war one day nearer.
So long as the personal
element prevails and the coun-
try's finances are sucked dry by
mere office-seekers, and so long as
Generals and armies are bought
and sold to the highest bidder, all
the talk of Nationalism being the
salvation of the people must be
regarded as so much moonshine.
The blend of Nationalism of the
Nanking type in the past cannot
command itself either to the Chi-

ese people or to the foreign
Powers with interests in China.
There has been ruthless exploita-
tion of the Chinese populace and
there has been unwarranted in-
sult of the Treaty Powers and
their nationals. Nanking, like
Wu-Han, has not been able to
take its eyes off the war chest
and the means of filling it with
the only object of pursuing the
civil war. It may by some be
deemed only fair to give the com-
bined Governments now installed
as one regime in Nanking a
chance to make good. But the
portents are far from favourable.
Dissension is too rampant to per-
mit of much optimism or to in-
spire any hopes that the new
Government will be more able
than its predecessors to deserve
even provincial recognition by the
Powers. On paper Nanking may
claim to hold sway over the
majority of the provinces
south of the Yangtze, but in
reality its power is
a mere shadow. The truth of
that will be made more apparent
when it seeks to enforce all the
resolutions of which it made so
much at the installation cere-
mony!

Japanese Bullets.

Upon first reading the report
received in Hong Kong to-day by
British Naval wireless from
Hankow that Japanese marines
there repulsed a Chinese attack
on the Japanese Concession, in-
flicting a number of casualties,
may suggest that a serious con-
dition of affairs, fraught with
grave consequences, has arisen in
the Wu-Han capital. For our-
selves, however, we are inclined
to think that nothing beside a
half-hearted protest or two by
the Chinese authorities will even-
tuate. The story, as told with
delightful brevity and pointed-
ness by our Naval department, is
that some Chinese soldiers (most
probably without orders) at-
tempted to force the gate of the
Japanese Concession at Hankow,
bayonetting a marine who was
on duty. The marine, in self-
defence, fired, and his comrades
within the Concession then open-
ed fire upon the would-be in-
vaders. The Chinese troops,
after that, dispersed quietly,
having suffered a number of
casualties. That is all. As to
what will follow, we base our
opinion upon Japan's definite
stand in matters of this kind in
the past. Japan has consistently
told China, and all sorts of
temporary military leaders in
China, that she will not tolerate
any interference with her activity
in the country. Least of all
would she allow any over-
sight of a Concession. Directly
after the forcible surrender of
the British Concession at Han-
kow to Eugene Chen, General
Boreddi and the Chinese troops

It was suggested to the Japanese
authorities in the port that they
should follow the British ex-
ample and walk out. They
bluntly told Eugene Chen that
if he wanted the Japanese Con-
cession he could try and take it.
Chen took the hint, and left
the Japanese alone. Further, we
have as a guide to future policy
the Japanese action in Shan-
tung, to which Province large
numbers of Nipponese troops
were rushed when it was thought
that that country's interests
were liable to molestation. The
little but an amount of verbal
fuss, we opine, will follow the
killing of some Chinese at Han-
kow by Japanese bullets.

BAND CONCERT.

FULL MILITARY BAND OF
K.O.S.I.

SUNDAY'S PROGRAMME
AT KOWLOON DOCK.

The following is the programme
of music to be performed by "The
Full Military Band," "Pipes," and
"Drummers" of the 2nd Battalion
"The King's Own Scottish Border-
ers" (by kind permission of Lieut-
Colonel L. J. Conyn, C.M.G., D.S.O.,
and Officers) at the Kowloon Dock
Bathing Beach on Sunday, from
8.30 p.m. to 10.30 p.m.:

1. Bugle March, "The 56th
Brigade" (Allier.
(Band and Bugles).
2. March, "Lord Dunmore."
Strathpey, "Stirling Castle,"
Reel "Miss Girdle."
3. Selection, "The Gondoliers."
Sullivan.
4. Slow March, "The Borderers,"
March "Invercauld,"
Strathpey, "Bogan Lochan,"
Reel "The Ball that was
in Oban."
5. "A Dervish Chorus" in the
Soudan" (Soloist: Musician H. Latimer).
Sebek.
Interval of 10 Minutes.
6. "Tattoo" by the Buglers.
Slow March "The Skye
Gathering."
March "The Back O' Benachie."
Strathpey, "The Market Place
of Inverness."
Reel "The Piper O' Drummond."
7. Selection of "Irish Songs and
Dances" (Godfrey.
8. Dance "The Sailors' Hornpipe."
Traditional.
(Pipe Major W. C. Mackie).
9. Galop "The Post Horn."
Koenig.
10. Grand National Fantasia
"Scotland's Pride" arr. Godfrey.
"The Last Post."
"Abide With Me."
"Lights Out."
"Blue Bonnets Over the Border."
"God Save the King"

GUEST OF HONOUR.

VISIT OF GOVERNOR OF
MACAO.

WEEK-END ARRANGEMENTS.

The following official pro-
gramme has been arranged in
connection with the visit of H.E.
the Governor of Macao to Hong
Kong.

Senhor Tamagnini Barbosa,
who is accompanied by Madame
Tamagnini Barbosa, Mademoiselle
Tamagnini Barbosa, Lieut.
Abrut, A.D.C. and Comdr.
Almeida Pinheiro, Chief of Staff,
will be met on arrival on Satur-
day morning by H.E. the Gov-
ernor of Hong Kong and Civil,
Naval, Military and Air Force
officials, a salute being fired from
Signal Hill Saluting Battery.

Senhor Barbosa is expected by
the Portuguese gunboat "Patria"
about noon and the landing will
be at Queen's pier.

Before leaving for Govern-
ment House Senhor Barbosa will
inspect the Guard of Honour and
at Government House he will
inspect a Guard of Honour pro-
vided by the Portuguese Com-
pany of the Hong Kong Volun-
teer Defence Corps.

The party will be met on ar-
rival at Government House by
Lady Clementi, Madame
Albuquerque (wife of the Portu-
guese consul) and Mrs. Dow-
biggin.

On Sunday, Senhor and
Madame Barbosa are to motor
out to the Royal Hong Kong Golf
Club.

CHILDREN LIKE CHAMBER- LAIN'S PAIN BALM.

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sprains of wrists and ankles,
strains of cords and muscles, stub-
bled toes, cuts, burns and other
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people too. Eases their rheumatic
pains, stings, scratches, and other
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A CLEVER FARCE.

ARTISTICALLY DONE AT
THEATRE ROYAL.

FORBES RUSSELL CO.

The efforts of the Forbes
Russell Company were rewarded
with a larger audience than usual
at the Theatre Royal last evening
when they presented Jas. Mont-
gomery's very successful farce,
"Nothing But the Truth." The
piece was well done, and Mr.
Leonard S. Stephens gave the
difficult part of Bob, the young
man who wagers he will speak
nothing but the truth for 24
hours, quite capably, acting with
admirable restraint. Miss Grace
Ray also undertook a trying role,
that of Mrs. Ralston, who thinks
she has been deceived by her hus-
band, and did it well. As Dick
Donnelly, partner to Ralston, Mr.
Forbes Russell gave an able pre-
sentation, and as Ralston himself
Mr. Lynwood Roberts put in
just the right amount of vim.
All the parts, in fact, were well
enacted, though Miss April
Vivian, in her brief appearances,
was inclined to over-act and un-
necessarily throw her arms and
legs about. The other ladies of
the cast, Miss Ninette Raymon,
as Ethel Clark, the girl with the
hideous voice, and Miss Beryl
Sidney, as Ralston's daughter,
ably acted up to the leading
parts. Bursts of applause
throughout the clever farce were
frequent, and deserved as much
for the interpretation as for the
spoken word; and the play was
in every respect artistically pre-
sented. "In the next Room,"
a mystery play, will be presented
this evening.

—H. C.

MALE VOICE CHOIR.

REHEARSALS COMMENCE ON
MONDAY.

Those who are interested in
male voice singing are reminded
that the Hong Kong Male Voice
Choir will commence rehearsals
for the coming season on Mon-
day next (Sept. 26) in the
Cathedral Hall (kindly loaned
for the purpose) at 8 p.m. sharp.
Those who were fortunate
enough to hear the choir singing
last season look forward with
interest to the appearance of the
Choir again before many weeks
have passed. The sole object of
the Society is the promotion of
male voice choral work and
there is an excellent opportunity
for those really inclined to take
part in one of the finest avenues
of choral work.

The Hong Kong Male Voice
Choir does not appear to be en-
couraged as it should be, or as
it might be, especially when it is
remembered that through the
efforts of this Choir nearly \$800
were raised for charitable pur-
poses last season. Therefore,
support should not be lacking.

With the Choir again under
the capable direction of Mr.
Frank White, the popular con-
ductor, no effort will be spared
to maintain, if not surpass, the
reputation of last season.

Those desiring to become
members are invited to attend
the rehearsal next Monday eve-
ning, or to communicate with Mr.
A. Hopper, Naval Yard, the
Hon. Secretary of the Choir,
who will be pleased to give all
information desired.—Contributed.

IN THE NEWS.

ITEMS FROM TO-DAY'S POLICE REPORTS.

Mr. Billimoria, manager of the
Local Printing Press, No. 9 Duddell
Street, has reported to the police
the theft from his office of a num-
bering machine worth \$175.

Madame Sarraut, dressmaker,
of No. 10 Ice House Street, has
made a report to the police that
some time between 1 and 2 p.m.,
on Tuesday, during her absence
from the premises, someone stole a
quantity of dress materials worth
\$63.

A mongrel dog owned by Mr. Yau
Fook of No. 11 Jordan Road, Kow-
loon, yesterday bit Mr. Yau's 15-
year-old son, who had to receive
treatment from Dr. Woo. The dog
was captured and taken to Matsu-
kok depot for observation.

Some burglars with a distinct
sense of humour during the week-
end broke into the offices of a local
company which is particularly
energetic in bringing to notice its
burglary insurance policies. Mem-
bers of the staff, however, were
prompt to take advantage of the
incident and, when chased about
the affair, retaliated by asking what
better proof could there be of the
necessity of taking out one
of their burglary insurance
policies.

PRAPS-PRAPSNOT!

Nanking thinks the Tang of
Chinkiang an impossible odour!

The Aberdonian took his
family to a tea-shop.

"Can I get you anything, sir?"

asked the waitress.

"Aye, lassie," replied Sandy,
looking round the table, "give
me a cup of tea and six saucers."

Visitor: What a dignified old
retainer you have, Mrs. Morris.

Mrs. Morris: Yes, isn't he?
We've had him in the family for
six weeks.

She was "doing" the sales. It
was only one pair of socks for
hubby she wanted to buy, but
the distracted salesman had had
to bring out every box of
socks they had in the shop, and
none suited.

"Are these all you have?" she
inquired.

"That's the lot, madam," he
answered, "excepting the pair I
have on."

"Such an interesting article on
'Clubs for Women' in the paper
this evening," said Mrs. Hackett.

"Whatever next!" remarked
her husband. "Isn't the old-
fashioned rolling-pin heavy
enough?"

The unattractive daughter of
a General had received a pro-
posal from a subaltern. "Dad,"
she said, "Filbert has proposed
to me and he's only a second
lieutenant. Now you must do
something for him."

"I can't promote him over
the heads of the others, but I
will have him cited for gallan-
try."

The caustic producer watch-
ed with basilisk glare the efforts
of a certain ingenue to grapple
with a part beyond her.

"Miss So-and-so," he enquir-
ed, "can you cook?"

"Why, yes, Mr. Smith," stam-
mered the girl, all flustered and
flattered at the attention dis-
played.

"Then go home and cook," he
roared, "for you can't act."

"Prohibition is madness,"
murmured the lover of old port:
"after all, *in vinum*."

"Yes," said his unabashed
guest. "And it blinkin' well
tastes like it!"

Mrs. Newbridge (to husband,
arriving home five minutes late):
Kiss me, darling! I was just
going to the police station to see
if you had been run over.

Absent-minded teacher driving
car, to policeman who is holding
up his hand to traffic: Yes, dear;
what is it?

Tom: Really, Dot, I dream of
you day and night.

Dot: No wonder you look so
sleepy.

"How's trade?" queried the
friend of a clothier during the
slack season, a little while back.

"As you said to me not so long
ago," replied the merchant,
"speak not of the dead. These
days the money goes elsewhere.
They are all paying for cars on
the time-payment, or what not.
What with tin Lizzies and tin
hairs, and tinselled ladies, peo-
ple have no cash left for clothes,
it seems."

The City Librarian has many
puzzling requests to fulfil.
Recently an old lady came to him,
desiring to borrow a certain
book whose title she had forgot-
ten, but whose theme she re-
called as a plan for the har-
monious working of industry.

"I want the book that will
bring about industrial peace,"
she explained.

"I suppose," said Mr. Bertie,
recalling the incident, "that I
should have handed her the New
Testament, but she would only
have told me that that was not
what she wanted."

The horrified father, stormed
and would not be appeased. His
daughter, aged four, had calmly
used a word defined jocosely by
Dr. Johnson in his dictionary.

"What I want to know," he
cried, "is where the child hears
such words? You want to be
more careful where she goes.
I won't have my child contaminat-
ed." The storm slowly sub-
sided.

Next morning there was a
hunt for a collar stud, and a
cut with the razor, and out came
the word defined jocosely by the
good Johnson: The four-year-
old daughter looked up calmly
and truthfully at her father: "I
expect," she said, "that I know
where we hear those words
father."

CHINA NEWS.

(Continued from Page 1.)

Among these who took the salute were General Tan Yen-kai (Wu-Han politician), Dr. C. C. Wu (Nanking's Foreign Minister), Mr. Sun Fo (Wu-Han faction, the new Finance Minister), Mr. Tsai Yuan-pai (Nanking politician, who "resigned" in sympathy with Chiang Kai-shek), General Ching Chien (Wu-Han army), General Li Tsung-jen (Nanking army) and General Chu Pei-teh (Wu-Han army).

The names are mentioned as given, and it is significant that so many conflicting interests should be represented.

4,500 DISARMED.

Detailed Report of Shanghai Coup.

Shanghai, Yesterday.

In the fight reported yesterday between the 1st Army and the 31st Army, 4,500 men of the 31st Army who were suspected of sympathy with the Northerners were disarmed. — British Naval Wireless.

Shanghai, Yesterday.

At least three fights occurred along the Shanghai-Hangchow and Shanghai-Nanking Railways yesterday afternoon and evening between the 31st Army Corps, formerly commanded by General Bei Pao-shan and recently by General Chen Chao-chien, and the 1st Army Corps of General Ho Ying-ching, both of whom have been stationed at various points on the railways mentioned.

It appears that the 31st was moving to Chinkiang apparently with the intention of crossing to Tsingkiangpu and possibly of reverting to Sun Chuan-fang.

Fight by Night.

The 1st Army Corps tore up the line at Hsichwang, 12 miles to the south-west of Shanghai and disarmed the first trainload of 1,500 from Hangchow, after an hour's fighting, in which there were 100 casualties. Further fighting occurred at Hsichwang at night-time during the process of disarming a further 3,000, which resulted in 200 casualties. One hundred wounded, early this morning arrived at the Red Cross Hospital at Nantao. Approximately, a further 6,000 of the 31st Army Corps stationed between Wusieh and Changchow on the Shanghai-Nanking Railway, who were entrained for Chinkiang, were disarmed by Ho Ying-ching's forces. Three train loads showed no resistance to the 4th Corps at Tsiahyuen near Changchow, after some shooting in which a freeman of the train was killed and the stationmaster was wounded.

The casualties are unknown. On the 20th inst. detachments of the 31st Army Corps crossed the Yangtze and proceeded to Tsingkiangpu.—Reuter.

ALLEGED ARSON.

CHINESE MERCHANT ARRESTED IN APARRI.

The recent fire in Aparri in which one million pesos in merchandise and buildings is estimated to have been lost, has been definitely determined to have originated in the store kept and owned by Lim Kin Cy. Lim Kin Cy is now under arrest, according to a report received in Manila last Friday, from Aparri, on a charge of arson.

The fire, which began at 2 o'clock in the morning of September 9, was not extinguished until 7 o'clock in the forenoon. The wind was blowing from the south; had it been blowing from the north half of the port of Aparri would have been reduced to ashes. "La Igualdad," the store in which the fire started, was situated, in the centre of the commercial district.

The wind from the south blew the fire toward the less congested district to the waterfront, in the direction of the municipal building, which did not escape the flames. The whole line of buildings in this direction was burned down without exception and among the houses razed were two lemonade plants, a drug store—La Farmacia, Filipina, Co. Jose Store, Villa de Manila, La Moda, Filipina, Cagayan Store, stores owned by Lim Dico and Co. La, both Chinese, and the Singer Sewing Machine company.

Besides these other buildings were destroyed, most of which were owned by small Chinese dry goods dealers. Three houses, including that of the manager of the electric light plant, were also burned.

Julian Hontiveros and Trinidad Torio, both of Aparri, said the municipal building is now temporarily housed in the custom house. Representative For-moseo of Cagayan is trying to secure a loan from the postal savings bank for the immediate construction of a municipal building to replace the burned one.—Philippines Herald.

THE "REVELLERS."

ATTRACTIVE OPEN-AIR CONCERT.

LAST NIGHT'S SUCCESS.

The concert by the amateur party, the "Revellers," postponed from last Saturday took place at the Kowloon Football Club last night in the presence of a large audience.

The grounds of the Club were screened off and tastefully illuminated. Comfortable accommodation was provided and an excellent programme gone through, the evening proving most enjoyable.

The "Revellers," who have achieved considerable success at concerts for the Services, consist of the following artistes:—Mrs. F. C. Clemo, Mrs. W. R. Fleming, Miss A. Tolan, Miss L. Tolan, Mr. W. R. Fleming, Mr. F. C. Clemo, Mr. J. Grenham, Mr. J. Wolgemuth, Mr. W. J. Geall, Pipe-Major Eadie, Lce.-Corpl. Yates and Piper Davidson.

The "Revellers" were also assisted by the "Ubique" amateur orchestra, whose selections found much favour.

A high standard was maintained throughout and there should be a large attendance at the Commodore's Tennis Court, Naval Yard, on Saturday evening when it is understood that the "Revellers" are appearing in an all fresco concert in aid of the Naval and Military branch of the Ministering Children's League.

MR. AMERY'S TOUR.

PROGRAMME FOR AUSTRALIAN VISIT.

Melbourne, Aug. 19.

Details of a tentative itinerary which has been arranged for the visit to Australia of the Secretary of State for the Dominions (Mr. Amery) were announced by the Prime Minister (Mr. Bruce) to-day.

Mr. Amery will arrive at Albany on October 10 and will remain in Western Australia for approximately a week. From October 18 to October 21 he will tour the agricultural and fruit-growing areas of South Australia. From October 21 to 25 he will remain in Victoria, and will leave on October 26 for Tasmania, returning to Melbourne on October 30. On Friday, November 4, Mr. Amery will visit Canberra and will proceed to Sydney, arriving there on November 9. He will arrive in Brisbane on November 11 and will return to Sydney on November 16, sailing from Australia on the following day.

Mr. Bruce stated that a senior officer of the Prime Minister's Department would accompany Mr. Amery during his tour and would have charge of the arrangements. Owing to the short duration of Mr. Amery's visit no private engagements would be accepted.

AGED SHEIK'S FLIGHT

Bagdad, Aug. 29.

The paramount Sheik of the powerful Anizam tribe, Fahad Ibn Haddhal, who is over 80 years of age, with a great reputation in the desert, where he was living in tents hundreds of miles from Bagdad, sent a message stating that he was unwell and asking to be examined by a British doctor.

An aeroplane was sent for his assistance. When it alighted among the tribal encampment, the aged Sheik examined it dubiously, remarking that it was a wonderful ship, and that he had never flown before, but was prepared to risk the flight in order to secure the benefits of British medical attention.

He flew to Bagdad on Saturday morning, and an operation for a grave internal trouble was performed in hospital the same afternoon. Unfortunately, the old man succumbed the following day.

Two years ago, he married a 16-year-old bride.

TALLER ARMY.

The British Army to-day, in point of the physique character, and general intelligence of the men composing it, is assessed at a standard nearly 80 per cent. above that reached before the Great War.

Because of the number and quality of the recruits now being obtained, numerous regiments have lately still further raised the level of qualifications required for enlistment. The officer commanding the Grenadier Guards, who are now over strength, has put the standard height up to 6 ft. again. Owing to the difficulty of getting 6 ft. men good enough for the Grenadier, the standard was reduced to 5 ft. 10 in. in April of this year.

At the Central London Recruiting Depot, a "Daily Mail" reporter was told recently that out of every 100 men who are now presenting themselves for service only 16 are being accepted, and there is no difficulty, even after such searching selection, in keeping every unit at full establishment.

BAD BUILDING.

CHINESE CONTRACTOR FINED.

DEMOLISHMENT ORDERED.

The manager of the Chung Chu Kee firm of building contractors, was yesterday charged before Mr. W. Schofield, at the Kowloon Magistracy for using improper materials in the construction of the verandahs of four houses in Shanghai Street, Yaumati. The summons was issued at the instance of the Building Authority, and Mr. J. T. Prior appeared for the defence.

According to the prosecution, the defendant, in the reconstruction of the verandahs of Nos. 531, 533, 535 and 537 Shanghai Street, used steel in the beams of the front and dividing walls which were not in accordance with the approved plans. Cement of inferior quality was also used in connection with the work. It contained too much sand, while the stones were dirty, too large, and insufficiently cemented together.

Carrying Out Orders.

As an example of the danger of such construction, the Magistrate's attention was drawn to the collapse in Argyle Street last year when some workmen lost their lives. It was stated that the concrete used in those houses was better than the sample of concrete taken from the defendant.

Mr. Prior said that the contractor was merely carrying out the instructions of the owner of the houses, and said that he understood that fresh plans would have to be submitted to the Building Authority. It was also doubtful if the present contractor would be retained. In any case, there would be a loss of money, and this would have to be borne by the defendant's firm and the owner in view of the prosecution's application for the demolition order. He asked that the fine be assessed accordingly so as not to impose undue hardship on the defendant.

His Worship imposed a fine of \$200, and made an order for the concrete work to be demolished to the satisfaction of the Building Authority.

AT A BULLFIGHT.

ANGRY SPECTATORS INVADE RING.

MATADOR ASSAULTED.

Madrid, Aug. 29.

There was a riot at a bullfight at Almeria to-day.

The spectators were annoyed at the inefficiency of the matador, who dropped his weapons and fled, amid the howls of the crowd.

Another matador, equally unskillful, faced the bull. Finally he called the assistants into the ring and there was an appalling scene, the men beating, stabbing and cutting the bull in their attempts to despatch it.

An indignant spectator jumped into the ring and boxed the matador's ears, amid cheers. His example was followed by others and pandemonium ensued.

The Civil Guards separated the combatants and arrested several of them.

WOMAN BARRED.

NO MORE "SUICIDE HOPS" IN U.S.A.

New York City, Sept. 15.

Ruth Elder, who has been planning a trans-Atlantic flight, received a serious setback when J. F. Lannis, owner of Roosevelt Field, announced to-day that he will permit planes to take off from his field on such flights only when they have more than one motor and are equipped with devices allowing them to alight and depart from water safely.

They must carry radio, also, an emergency radio set to be used if the regular set goes out of commission, and must have navigators who have passed a rigid inspection and examination, according to Lannis.

It is understood that his action follows insistent demands on the part of the public that measures be taken to check "suicide hops" with improperly equipped planes. Lannis owns one of the few fields suitable for takeoff by aeroplanes heavily loaded for transoceanic flight, and it is believed that his rules will be made universal at all such fields.—United Press.

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CINEMA NOTES.

"THE MASKED BRIDE" AT THE QUEEN'S.

MAE MURRAY'S NEW ROLE.

Three of the most famous cafes in Paris and the historic Fontainebleau Castle, skilfully reproduced, form the settings for "The Masked Bride," Mae Murray's biggest picture since "The Merry Widow," which is being screened at the Queen's Theatre to-day.

"The Masked Bride" is a story of glitter and gaiety, of a Paris dancer's wonderful adventures, culminating in her marriage to a noble marquis. As the dancer Mae Murray stages a series of sensational dances and wears a glittering array of beautiful, and sometimes daring, gowns.

The supporting cast is an unusually strong one, Roy D'Arcy, of "Merry Widow" fame, playing the Prefect of Police, Francis X. Bushman, perhaps the screen's most handsome man, playing the Marquis, and Basil Rathbone, the English stage star, playing the Apache leader.

An amusing Mack Sennett comedy, "The Hollywood Kid," and the latest topical gazette complete an excellent programme which will be screened until Saturday.

Comedy at World.

Constance Talmadge and Ronald Colman are the leading players in "Her Sister From Paris," the feature attraction at the World Theatre to-day. The picture presents a charming story of a wife who taught her husband to love. Constance Talmadge plays two distinct roles—one of the wife and the other of her madcap sister from Paris. As the story unfolds, entrancing glimpses are shown of life in the homes of romantic old Vienna, also of scenes behind the curtain of a big theatre. The final setting is a lonely old tavern, a relic of former days of Viennese gaiety. "Her Sister From Paris" is a delightful comedy with a spice of thrill besides.

A Story of the Sea.

The principal picture in the new continuous programme at the Star Theatre to-day is "Sea Horses," a story by Francis Brett Young filmed by Allan Dwan, the man who made "Robin Hood."

"Sea Horses" is a romantic melodrama in which most of the action takes place on an ocean-going tramp and in an out of the way port on the coast of East Africa.

The central character is a young English wife, played by Florence Vidor. Her dramatic experiences on the ship and her terrifying adventures in Africa furnish the excitement. Jack Holt plays the role of the sea captain.

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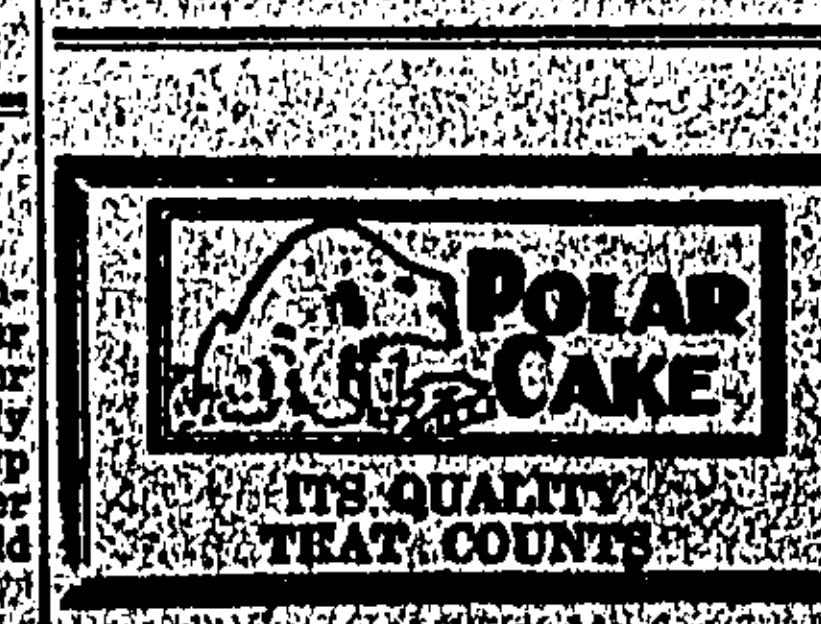
Buckingham Palace gardens are almost unknown to the general public. This is because of the difficulty of getting permits to view the famous shrubbery.

In Queen Victoria's time it was comparatively easy to gain access to the grounds surrounding the palace. But King Edward took the view that the palace was his "town house" and therefore a place of personal privacy. Windsor Castle, on the other hand, is considered to be state apartments and is more or less open to the public. King George has made the privacy rule at Buckingham Palace even more strict.

LORD MAYOR AS ADMIRAL.

The Lord Mayor of London, Sir Rowland Blades, while looking through some dusty old records, discovered that he is also an Admiral.

He immediately assumed the ancient role of "Admiral of the Fort," his hereditary right, and journeyed in his robes of office to the Royal Albert Dock to lend official importance to the Port of London as a landing and embarkation port for passengers. He was piled aboard the liner Arandora, last of five new vessels in the London-South American service, with all the official ceremony given to an Admiral of the Fleet.



Shadows Before.

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN THE "MAIL."

Entertainments.

September 22—Queen's Theatre: "The Masked Bride."

September 22—World Theatre: "Her Sister From Paris."

September 22—Star Theatre, Kowloon: "Sea Horses."

September 22—Theatre Royal: Forbes Russell Comedy Co. presents "In the Next Room," 9.15 p.m.

September 22—Oriental Strolling Players and Northamptonshire Regiment Band, at Lee Theatre, 9.30 p.m.

September 22—At Repulse Bay Hotel, Whitley Smith, the American Ambassador of Music to the Orient and his famous Majestic Music Masters.

September 22—Confucius, birth-day concert in the Great Hall of St. Stephen's Girls' College (Lyttelton Road), 8 p.m.

September 22—Informal dance at the "Cheer O," 7 p.m.

September 22—Whitley Smith and his Majestic Music Masters, at the Hong Kong Hotel, Roof Garden.

September 23—Concerts at the "Cheer O," 7 p.m. and the "Better Ole," 7 p.m.

September 26—Concert at the Rope Factory (arranged by Mrs. Younghusband), 8 p.m.

September 26—Forbes Russell Comedy Co. opens brief season at the Star Theatre, Kowloon, starting with "Bluebeard's Eighth Wife," 9.15 p.m.

October 1—H.K. & W.G. & M.C.L.'s "Fun o' the Fair," Lee Gardens, from 3.30 p.m. to midnight.

October 13—First of a series of eleven concerts for the winter season, Helena May Institute, 5.30 p.m., starting with "Gilbert and Sullivan."

October 21—Nelson Day. Navy League hold Annual Concert (through courtesy of H.K. Amusements, Ltd., Queen's Theatre), 9.30 p.m.

Sports.

September 22—Ping Pong League: W.Y.O.B.U. v. C.R.C. (C.C.Y.M.S.).

September 22—Steele & Coulson's Billiard League: Northants v. R.A.; K.O.S.B. v. Queen's; R.E. & R. Sigs v. D.R.C.; Revenue v. St. Patrick's Club; Garrison Sgt. Mess. v. Police.

September 23—Ping Pong League: Wah Yan College v. St. Peter's Club (Y.M.C.A.).

September 23—Services Relay Team Championship Race, 5.15 p.m.

September 24—Tennis Leagues Chinese Recreation Club v. the Rest of the League.

September 24—Ping Pong League: H.K.U. v. Y.M.C.A. (S.C.A.A.).

September 24—Police and Prison Departments' annual aquatic sports, Victoria Recreation Club, starting 3 p.m.

September 26—Steel and Coulson's Billiard League R.A. v. Queen's; Northants v. K.O.S.B.; St. Patrick's Club v. Police; Revenue v. Garrison Sgt. mess.

October 8-10—Hong Kong Jockey Club's sixth extra race meeting at Happy Valley, Race Course.

Lammerts' Auctions.

September 24—At the premises of the Au Chic Parisien, Ground Floor, 12 Pedder Street, the goods and chattels of Marie Flint and J. L. Durand, 10 a.m.

September 26—10 Ice House Street, Ground Floor, provisions, perfumes and furniture, etc., 10 a.m.

September 27—Valuable household furniture at 7, Carnarvon Buildings, Kowloon, 11 a.m.

Meetings.

September 23—General meeting of contributors of the Hong Kong Development Building & Savings Society Ltd. (in liquidation) City Hall, 2.30 p.m.

September 27—Annual general meeting of members of the Kowloon Cricket Club, in the Club House, 5.30 p.m.

October 22—Meeting of the New Territories Agricultural Show Committee, at Sheung Shui, 2.30 p.m.

Miscellaneous.

September 24—Reception in honour of His Excellency the Governor of Macao, at the Club Lusitano, 4.30 p.m.

September 24—St. Peter's Church bathing picnic to Junk Bay, (s.l. "Man Tat," leaves Queen's Pier at 8.45 p.m.).

September 24—Entries close for the sixth extra race meeting of the H.K. Jockey Club, noon.

September 25—Public lecture of the Theosophical Society at Lane, Crawford's Restaurant, Des Vaux Road, 8 p.m.

September 26—Debate at St. Peter's Church Y.M. Club House, 8.30 p.m.

September 26—Hong Kong Male Voice Choir rehearsal, St. John's Cathedral Hall, 9 p.m.

September 29—H.K.V.D.C. route march from Polo Ground to Talkoo.

October 9—Charity Bazaar of the Chinese Sisters of the Precious Blood, at Catholic Young Men's Club, 16 Caine Road.

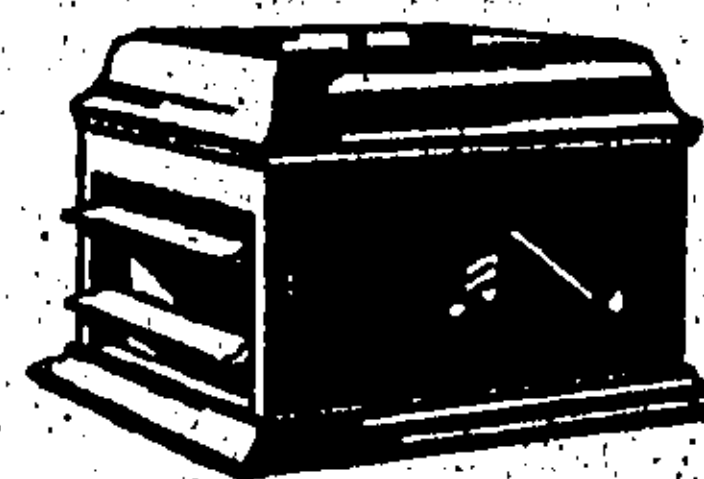
December 25—Matriculation, Senior & Junior Local Examinations at the Hong Kong University, Bonham Road.

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LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS.

The N.Y.K. after prolonged negotiations with the U.S. immigration department, are now permitted to carry all classes of passengers from Shanghai via San Francisco direct to Los Angeles.

The Short Singapore, one of the latest British all-metal flying boats delivered to the British Air Ministry, has made the 720 mile journey to Oslo from England in one day of six hours flying.

During Chinese week at the musical exhibition at Frankfurt, about 150 Chinese students, men and women, gave renderings of Chinese music. Almost every country in the world was represented—even Java, Sumatra and Japan.

The Shanghai District Kuomintang has asked the authorities to suppress the Shanghai Revolutionary Comrades' Association, which occupies the Shanghai College of Law, in the French Concession, on the ground that it is a Bolshevik agency.

Under the auspices of the Students of St. Stephen's College a Confucius' Birthday Concert is being given to-night in the Great Hall of St. Stephen's Girls' College (Lyttelton Road), beginning at eight o'clock. There will be light refreshments.

Probate has been granted in respect of the \$10,500 estate of Lo Sai, shoemaker, of 7 Queen's Road East, and proprietor of the Fuk Sang Shoemakers firm. Deceased directs that property at Wanchai and elsewhere should be divided amongst his three sons.

Notwithstanding heavy rain on August 21, 2,000 people visited the beautiful Japanese gardens at The Malms, Shawford, near Winchester, the residence of Mr. Alfred Bowker, which were opened to the public in aid of Queen Alexandra Memorial Fund. As a result £115 was sent to the Fund.

A local reader furnishes us with a copy of a pamphlet called "The British Empire: How It Was Born, What It Is, What It Might Become." The pamphlet is an abridged summary of the brilliant articles written in the "Observer" by Mr. J. L. Garvin at the time of the last Imperial Conference.

For the first time since the sales of scrapped ships to Mr. Henry Ford, in 1925, the United States Shipping Board Merchant Fleet Corporation is understood to be considering inviting bids on its laid-up fleet. The Fleet Corporation has 129 ships, ranging from 7,500 to 10,000 tons. These ships are scattered throughout the laid-up fleet.

Reports reaching Shanghai from a reliable source state that all Japanese troops now are out of Shantung.

The sudden cessation of some of the Baku oilwells is attributed to the recent earthquake in the Crimea, says Reuter.

Owing to the damage to the great Borobudur monument in Mid-Java by tourists, the authorities contemplate making arrangements whereby visitors will be conducted round by European guides in groups.

The total number of Chinese immigrants arriving at Singapore this year up to the end of July was 250,536, of whom about half were adult males. The number of Chinese deck passengers leaving for China during the same period was 80,744.

Sho Nen-you, a 23-year-old Chinese seaman, was remanded at Liverpool on August 23, accused of attempting to murder Ah Kee, a compatriot. It was stated that You struck Kee three blows with an axe during a quarrel, inflicting severe injuries.

The chief executioner of the Soviets in the Caucasus, Nasroula lamaloff, is said by a Russian newspaper to have shot 3,854 condemned people during the past few years. He is described as a dead shot with a revolver, "able to kill a blue-bottle at 50 yards."

Reports from Moscow say that Bucharin, speaking at a big army parade, prophesied that the Austrian revolt will be followed by similar uprisings all over Europe. After Bucharin's address War Commissioner Woroshilow reviewed 100,000 Red Army troops and women battalions. Twenty tanks and many aeroplanes participated in the show.

Plans for the erection at Causeway Bay of a branch of the Tung Wah Hospital are proceeding favourably. The sum of \$120,000 has been raised by the Committee of the Tung Wah, and a like sum has already been pledged in advance. The Chup Shin Hospital, in the Causeway Bay neighbourhood, will be turned over to the Tung Wah on the inauguration of the Tung Wah branch and in appreciation of the services rendered by the Chup Shin the retiring Committee of that institution will be nominated to the new Committee of management of the Causeway Bay branch. The Government has already appropriated the necessary land for the Hospital's erection, plans have been approved and building will commence at an early date.

General Chang Chien, commander of the 6th Nationalist Army, whose troops are alleged to have been responsible for the Nanking outrage, has gone to Shanghai from Kiangnan.

A committee has been formed in Manila to purchase a plane and defray the costs of a trans-Pacific flight via Formosa, Japan and Hawaii to San Francisco by Donato Halili, the Filipino aviator.

Information has been received from Wush that, owing to the shortage of raw cotton, six cotton mills in that city have been compelled to suspend operations. The Chinese millowners of Shanghai are faced with the same problem, so they have appealed to Nanking to place an embargo on the export of raw cotton to foreign countries.

The World's Population Congress opened at Geneva on August 31 under the chairmanship of Sir Bernard Mallet. Members of the Congress are 200 leading economists from many countries, including Germany, Japan, China and India. The agenda comprises a study of agrarian distribution in all its bearings on food supplies for the masses.

The plays which the Forbes Russell Comedy Company are to submit in the Star Theatre next week are announced in our advertising columns to-day. The first is "Bluebeard's Eighth Wife," on Monday. This will be followed by "The Butterfly on the Wheel" on Tuesday, "Peg O' My Heart" on Wednesday, and "Fallen Angels" on Thursday. "The Butterfly on the Wheel" is not included in the plays the Forbes Russell Company are giving at the Theatre Royal and should therefore arouse special interest when staged in Kowloon.

In addition to the scheme of the Hong Kong Excavation, Pile Driving and Construction Company for building hutments at Repulse Bay to replace the recently destroyed matsheds, it is learnt that Messrs. Shewan Tomes and Company have plans for a similar undertaking. The proposal is for the bathing sheds to contain two dressing rooms, each 9 feet by 7 feet, fronted by a verandah 10 feet wide. The framework is to be of hard-wood supported on cement concrete foundations. The exterior walls will consist of grey flat "Italian" asbestos cement sheeting set in timber frames. The whole of the woodwork throughout is to be treated with anti-verminous paint. Sketch plans were submitted to the Government 18 months to two years ago and these have now been amended and approved. A provisional estimate places the cost of the huts at about \$750 each.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL NEWS.

The death is announced from London of Mr. G. P. Huntley, the well known comedian.

The late Mr. Owen Manoh Williams (70), who was at one time principal buyer at the Chartered Bank of India, China and Australia head office in London, left estate valued at \$10,187.

Dr. S. van Valkenburg, formerly geographical expert in the topographical service in the Dutch East Indies, has been appointed Professor of Economic Geography at Clark University, Worcester (Mass.), near Boston.

The American Consulate-General is interested in securing information regarding the whereabouts of Mr. George W. Parsons, of Mayer, Arizona, who is reported to have been in China about eight months ago. Information in this regard will be appreciated.

The death is announced, at the age of 80, of Gen. Chao Erh-shun, formerly Premier and Minister of War. Gen. Chao for many years was Viceroy of Manchuria, and it was through his efforts that Chang Tso-lin and his men were incorporated in the regular army.

The marriage arranged between Mr. Robert Keith Valentine, second son of Mr. and Mrs. James Valentine, of Hong Kong and Southampton, and Miss Aimee Talbot Haslett, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Haslett, Castlebar, Reigate, Surrey, will take place at the Cathedral, Hong Kong, in October.

Mr. A. Pleasman, managing director of the Royal Air Lines for Netherlands and the Colonies, was to start on August 26 for the Dutch East Indies, where he proposes spending six months, and to take steps to establish a colonial branch of the K.L.M. with a view to future air services between Holland and its Colonies.

Mr. Edmund Blunden, now on his way back to England after a long exile in Japan, is remembered for his verses describing the sights and sounds of the English countryside, and for his discovery of "John Clare." For over three years he has filled the chair of English Literature at the Imperial University, Tokyo, which it is understood is now to be taken by Mr. Arnold Del Re, of Oxford.

Sir Sidney and Lady Barton have left Shanghai for a holiday in Wel-hai-wel.

Mr. C. V. Starr, President of the American Asiatic Underwriters, left Shanghai for a combined holiday and business trip in Japan.

Mr. J. van den Broek, mining engineer of the Billiton Co., proposes starting shortly for South West and Central Africa, to inquire into the value of tin ore deposits recently discovered there.

Mr. Justice E. Finley Johnson, who presided at the Shanghai Judicial Inquiry into the May 30 affair, is being urged to become a candidate for the office of governor-general of the Philippine Islands. When asked his view, he said he would accept the position if it were offered to him by President Coolidge.

Francis X. Bushman, the screen star who recently visited Hong Kong in the course of a tour of the world, plays opposite MacMurray in "The Masked Bride," the feature film at the Queen's Theatre to-day. Two of his daughters appear with him. They are Lenore and Virginia Bushman, college students, and play small bits in the picture. Francis X. Bushman will be seen in Hong Kong in another picture shortly, namely the famous production "Ben Hur."

Passengers leaving Hong Kong by the "President Lincoln" yesterday for Seattle and the included: Mr. and Mrs. U. Spallinger, travelling to Shanghai and Mrs. Spallinger is a large silk shipper via Dollar Line; and is the head of Messrs. U. Spallinger & Company, Canton; Mr. J. A. Gunn, representative of H. J. Baker & Co. Food Products, Chicago, returning to the United States after a business trip to the Orient; Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Snow, residents of Batavia, Java, returning to the U.S. on Thursday; Mr. W. E. Thomson, representative of the Society of Chemical Industry in Basle, Switzerland, returning to Shanghai; Mr. E. Edmondson, travelling to Shanghai; Mr. Edmondson is the Oriental representative of Messrs. Johnson and Johnson, the well-known firm manufacturing surgical supplies; and Mr. Rudolf Strand, Swiss journalist travelling to Shanghai.

Donald Anderson has been appointed cricket Captain of the Diocesan Boys' School.

At Portsmouth Dockyard Mrs. Donaldson, wife of the Admiral Superintendent, laid the first keel plate of the new 10,000 ton cruiser, a sister ship to H.M.S. "London,"—Reuter.

Sir Ronald Ross has been lying seriously ill at his residence at Putney Heath, S.W., but is now happily recovering. Recently he returned from an extended tour of the malarial districts of India, Ceylon and the Federated Malay States.

Lu Tsing-hsiang, until recently China's delegate to the League of Nations and Chinese Minister to Switzerland, has recently, according to a telegram from Geneva, become converted to Roman Catholicism and has entered a Benedictine monastery in Belgium. He was Foreign Minister and Premier in the first Republican Cabinet in Peking in 1912, and was chief Chinese delegate to the Paris Peace Conference.

News has been received in the Colony of the death in Ayer of Mr. James Dobbie, F.R.S., retired head master, at the age of 75 years. He was for many years President of Newtown-on-Ayr Burns Club, and was a brother of Sir Joseph Dobbie, who for a short time represented the Ayer Burghs in Parliament. Mr. James Dobbie was father of Mr. Jas. T. Dobbie, of the "Sunday Herald" and "China Mail."

The death took place in England last month at the age of 72 of Mr. William Henry Whiting, who, from 1895 to 1897, was Chief Constructor of the Royal Naval Dockyard at Hong Kong. Mr. Whiting had held several important naval appointments before and after leaving Hong Kong, he was made Chief Constructor and Assistant Director of Naval Construction at the Admiralty, a post which he held until 1912. From 1912 to 1917 he was Superintendent of the Construction Accounts and Contract Works. Mr. Whiting also served on Admiralty Committees on submerged torpedoes, discharge, and floating docks. He was a member of the Institute of Civil Engineers and Vice-President of the Institute of Naval Architects.

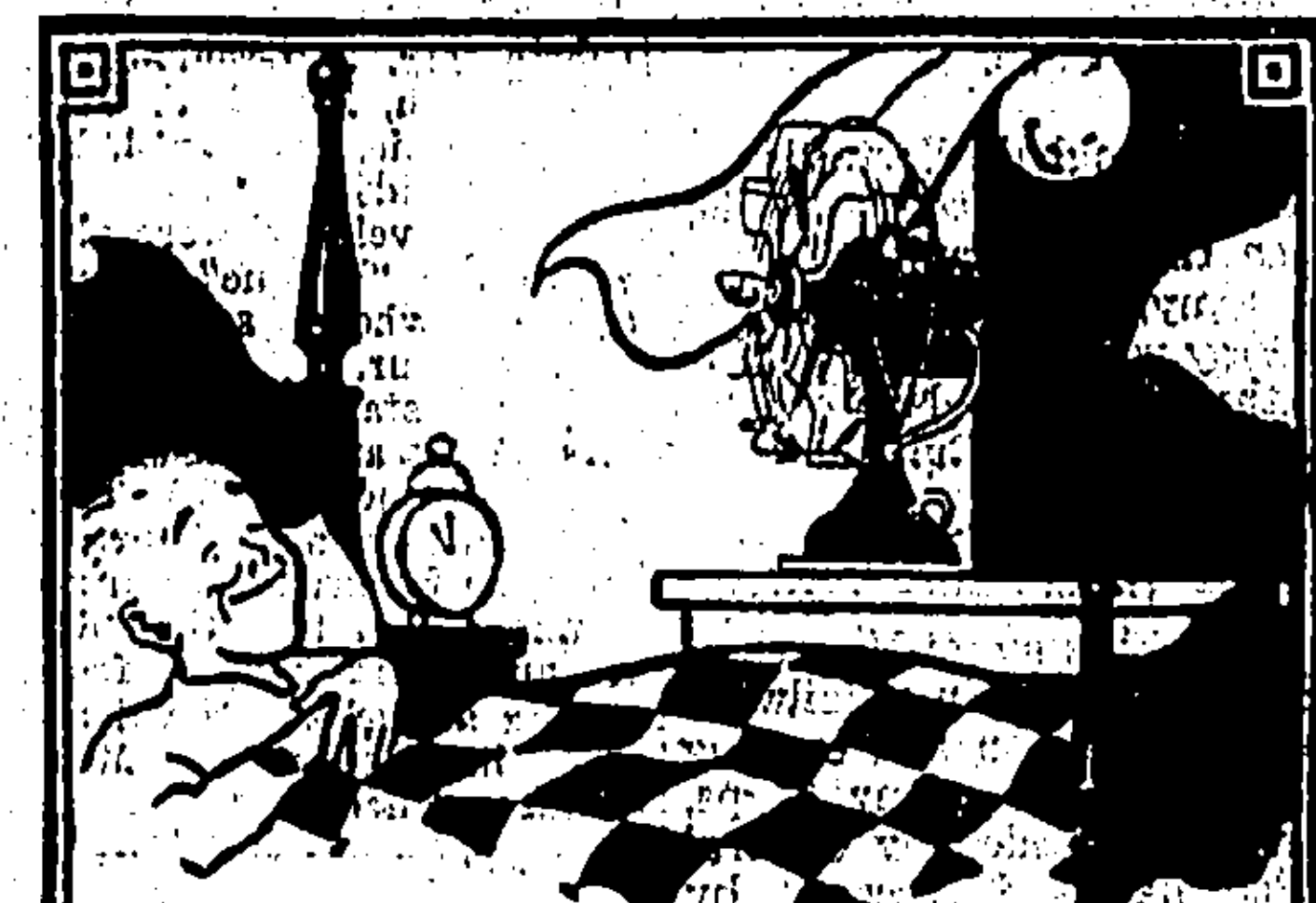
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A WEEK'S PAPERS IN ONE.

A startling change has come over the political and military situation in China, and we are now said to be on the verge of witnessing another fight for the rich Chinese city of Shanghai. The story leading up to a more or less unknown general's preparations for a grand coup is fully told in this week's "Overland Mail," which also sets out complete reports of what has been happening on the Yangtze fighting fronts. Political observers contribute interesting articles regarding the Peace Conference which has opened at Nanking.

Conditions in Canton and Kwangtung generally come in for special treatment in the "Overland." The position and power of the ruling general Li Chai-sun, is freely discussed, and comprehensive reports are given of activities in the various parts of the Province.

Matters of interest to Hong Kong-ites dealt with in the "Overland" include the full report of the Legislative Council meeting at which the Unofficial Members gave their views on the Colony's budget, full sporting and social events, and special articles dealing with different phases of local activity.

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THIRD-ROUND RESULTS.

Walton Heath, Yesterday. In rain and misty weather, the second round of the "News of the World" golf tournament was commenced. Charles Whitcombe beat Alex Herd, the 1926 winner by two and one.

W. Robertson, West Lanes, beat Harry Vardon by two and one.

In the third round Ernest Whitcombe, Meyrick Park, beat B. Hodson, Newport Monmouthshire by five and three. Winner had six threes.

Charles Whitcombe beat L. Herdington, Abbey Dale, by five and three.

James Braid beat B. Westall, Colwyn Bay by one hole.

Tom Williamson, Notts beat Ted Ray by one hole.

The remaining winners were Robertson, A. Miles, Merton Park, Archie Compton and Fred Robson, Couden Beach.—Reuter.

U.S. WOMEN'S GOLF.

CHAMPIONSHIP MATCH PLAY.

New York, Yesterday. In the American women's golf championship, first round, Miss Jane Brooks beat the only British competitor, Miss Eileen Pattison, the champion of Bermuda by two and one.

Miss Delachaux beat Mrs. Stewart Hanley by four and two.

Mrs. Pressler, the western champion, beat Miss Hurd by one hole.

Miss Fraser beat Mrs. Arnold Jackson by six and five.

Miss Glenna Collett beat Mrs. Anderson by one hole.

Miss Ada Mackenzie beat Mrs. Fitter by seven and five.

Miss Maureen Orcutt, the metropolitan champion, beat Mrs. Harwood by eight and six. Miss Orcutt was five strokes under par when she finished the match at the 12th green.—Reuter's American Service.

HOME SOCCER.

ENGLISH LEAGUE BEATS IRISH.

London, Yesterday. In the Southern Section of the Third Division of the English League Bournemouth yesterday lost to Queen's Park Rangers by one goal to two.

England won the Inter-League match against Ireland by nine goals to one at Newcastle.

In a friendly game Arsenal lost to the Corinthians, by four clear goals.—Reuter.

WORLD CHESS.

SECOND GAME IN CHAMPIONSHIP.

Buenos Aires, Yesterday. The second game in the world's chess championship between Capablanca and Alekhine resulted in a draw after ninety moves.—Reuter's American Service.

Capablanca and Alekhine have engaged to play a series of twenty games. The first game was won by Alekhine.

POLICE AQUATICS.

MEETING AT V.R.C. NEXT SATURDAY.

The following is the programme of the aquatic sports meeting of the Police and Prison Departments to be held in the V.R.C. swimming bath on Saturday next, the first event commencing at 3 p.m., sharp:—

Plate Diving.
Championship of Police Force (Indian and Chinese).
Championship of Police Force (European).
Boys' Two Lengths Handicap.
Two Lengths Handicap for Indian members of the Police and the Prison staff.
Long Plunge.
Race for Chinese Sub-Officers of the Fire Brigade.
Two Lengths Handicap.
Messenger Boys' Race.
Greasy Pole.
High Dive.
Two Lengths Breast Stroke.
Life Saving.
Nomination Race.
50 yards Police Reserve Race.
Comedy Race (Musical Life-buoy).
Team Race—Police, Wardens, Traffic Police and Special Police.
All friends of members of the Police, Prison and Fire Departments are invited to attend the sports, admission to which is free. A small charge of 50 cents per head will be made for tea, which will be provided in the hall of the V.R.C.

LOCAL CRICKET.

EASY WIN FOR DIOCESAN BOYS.

D.B.S. v. C.B.S.

This match was played on the Central British School ground at King's Park on Wednesday, September 21. The Diocesan Boys' School Boys' Team proved much too strong for Central British School. For the Diocesan Boys' School, Anderson made 109 not out. In the first innings of C.B.S., A. Lee took 5 wickets for 13 runs and Kwan 4 wickets for 10 runs. In the second innings Lee took 3 for 3 and Kwan 2 for 4.

C.B.S.—1st Innings.
I. Stirling, run out 1
Mr. T. R. Rowell, b. A. T. Lee 0
Mr. D. M. Richards, b. A. T. Lee 0
E. Hayes, b. W. H. Kwan 0
P. Hynes, c. Fisher, b. W. H. Kwan 9
Backer, b. W. H. Kwan 4
Hirst, b. A. T. Lee 2
G. A. Lee, c. b. A. T. Lee 0
G. Carr, b. A. T. Lee 4
J. W. Ursell, not out 3
J. McCubbin, c. Kym, b. W. H. Kwan 0
Kwan 0
Total 23

Bowling Analysis.

O. M. R. W.
A. T. Lee 0 2 13 5
Kwan Wing Hong 5 2 10 4
D.B.S.—1st Innings.
D. J. N. Anderson, not out 109
W. H. Kwan, b. Carr 7
A. T. Lee, c. b. Carr 12
G. A. Lee, b. Rowell 4
F. K. Lee, run out 19
J. A. Fisher, b. Rowell 6
A. Prata, c. Hirst, b. Carr 0
R. Lee, not out 0
Total 160

Bowling Analysis.

O. M. R. W.
Mr. T. R. Rowell 13 3 49 2
Carr 15 1 82 3
Stirling 3 0 16 0
Mr. D. M. Richards 1 0 11 0
Rowell and Richards both bowled 1 wide ball each.
C.B.S.—2nd Innings.
I. Stirling, c. G. Lee, b. A. Lee 1
T. R. Rowell, b. A. Lee 0
D. M. Richards, b. A. Lee 0
Hayes, b. A. Lee 0
Hynes, c. Kym, b. A. Lee 2
Backer, b. A. Lee 0
Hirst, b. A. Lee 0
Victors, b. Kwan 2
Carr, not out 1
Ursell, c. R. Lee, b. Kwan 1
J. McCubbin, b. A. Lee 0
Byes 3
Total 30

Bowling Analysis.

O. M. R. W.
A. Lee 0 6 3 8
Kwan Wing Hong 7 3 4 2

NIGHT FETE.

FIFTH FUNCTION AT V.R.C.

The fifth Night Fete was held at the V.R.C. last night before a small attendance. The Hon. Mr. W. T. Southern, C.M.G., chairman of the Club, with Mrs. Southern, was present, and the latter distributed the prizes. Results:—
50 Yards Handicap (members).—1. A. H. Danesh, 41.4-seconds; 2. S. V. Gittins, 27.1-seconds.
100 Yards Boys' Championship of the Colony (16 years and under).—1. A. McCubbin, 1.19.2-seconds; 2. J. McCubbin, 1.24.
200 Yards Free Style Open Championship of the Colony.—1. D. Lyon, 2.37; 2. J. S. Lyon, 2.52.5.
Fancy Diving Championship.—Won by Edward da Rosa, who "dived over," the other competitor who had entered not turning up for the event.
Blindfold Race (two lengths).—Won by S. V. Gittins.
Water Polo (between V.R.C. members).—Blue team, captained by D. Lyon, beat White team, captained by G. J. Cooke, by six goals to nil.

"BIG MONEY" AGE.

ARE PROFESSIONALS WORTH IT?

NOTABLE EXAMPLES.

Big money is always interesting, because most of the people in the world would put their hands on big money if they could, writes Robert Edgren.

This is the big money age in professional sport. There never was any other time when athletes could make such fortunes in competition. The biggest paid of all athletes are the boxers.

The world is looking for entertainment. Just at present the most promising thing in that line is a big fight. There's a thrill in it, and people pay for thrills.

Fighters get more than they are worth, but that's because the promoters charge more than fight are worth, and people are fight crazy and will pay even for the craziest of speculative prices for ring-side seats. It's a fact. Better fights than any we see in these days were seen for a tenth of the amount money only a few years ago.

Then there was better fighting because fighters didn't have to be worried over being "knocked out of the big money." If they were licked they went right back and fought again.

Young Griffo fought one of his best fights for a purse of 800 dollars, of which he got 600 dollars as the winner. There isn't a lightweight in the ring today who could have laid a glove on Young Griffo in fifteen rounds, yet boys of the time of Young Griffo, Gans, Ernie McGovern, and that bunch of real fighters draw down more for dancing through fifteen rounds than those old-timers got for fifteen fights. Imagine Sid Terris and Ruby Goldstein collecting 52,500 dollars for a fight when some of the men mentioned above were in the game. And at a "charity" affair at that!

Some of the alleged "charity" boxers who have been appearing in New York, Chicago, Los Angeles, San Francisco, and other cities demand more for fighting "for charity" than any sane promoter would give them as a straight business proposition. In one recent "charity" show the boxers got all the gate—some 150,000 dollars—and the charity was 2,000 dollars in the hole after the show.

A similar happening killed boxing for some years in Chicago when two famous lightweights collected their guarantee and left 25 dollars for the charity. This kind of money madness doesn't help boxing.

Are Fighters Worth It?

Can a fighter be worth some of the sums paid boxers in recent years, since Tex Rickard, by shrewd business methods, has increased the gate money at big bouts to amounts undreamed of ten years ago? Actually it is impossible to imagine Jack Dempsey's fight against Tunney in Philadelphia last year as worth the 711,000 dollars Richard paid Dempsey, or Tunney's cautious winning fight being worth over 200,000 dollars. These sums of money seem all out of proportion to the show put on.

But as a plain matter of fact the fighters were entitled to the percentages agreed upon, and the promoter is said to have cleared 400,000 dollars on the event.

A guarantee of any such sums as were paid Dempsey and Tunney would be silly, but if they got it in plain percentages it's difficult to say why they should not be worth their percentages of what people are willing to pay to see the fight. As long as the big prices were paid and the immense crowd drawn by curiosity to see the men fight there's no reason why the promoter should pocket all the money and pay the fighters but a small portion.

As long as people will pay big prices promoters will charge "all the traffic will bear." Perhaps no fight is worth more than five dollars for a real ringside seat, and one to three for seats away from the ring. It would be a great thing for boxing if boxing commissions had the power to fix such price

limits, and enforce them. Instead of that, promoters try to get the commissions to raise the price limit for title fights, and the plea that ringside seats can be sold for higher prices.

If normal prices were enforced for all fights the public would be much better off, the promoters would make a fair profit, and fighters would get all their services are worth. It's ridiculous to say that a profession that demands no more study, intelligence, or hard work than boxing should pay a successful professional more for a few minutes of competition than the average man in a useful profession can earn in a lifetime, after giving at least six years to studying his profession without pay.

More Fighting Needed. A fair percentage of the gate paid by the crowd that might be drawn at these normal prices would be big pay for the goods any fighter can deliver. It would eliminate the joke sums paid fighters and taken from the public now. It would produce better fighting. There is very little good fighting now because nearly every successful boxer goes into the ring with little on his mind but the necessity of stalling through somehow without being "knocked out of the money." The public is beginning to realise this fact, and promoters, who are losing money or struggling to break even, will soon realise that the only cure for boxing is less money and more fighting.

Jim Jeffries, a great world's champion, and Jim Corbett, an extremely clever ex-champion, drew a gate of 66,000 dollars about twenty-five years ago. That was a world's record gate. Under modern conditions, a pair of second string lightweights may draw as much as that, ably aided by ballyhoo.

Boxers have one great advantage over other athletes. It takes only two well advertised men to make the show and draw the crowd. There aren't many to divide the profits. In the case of professional football there are two teams to split up the money—teams with their substitutes making at least thirty men. The same case holds in professional baseball. Still there are many highly paid baseball players. Babe Ruth and Ty Cobb get huge salaries, considering the fact that baseball gate prices are small and there are many men on a club to be paid.

Tunney Too Careful.

After all the money paid the fighters, athletes, etc., is all paid in for entertainment. The public will pay in proportion to the entertainment it expects to get for its money. The public bankers for entertainment, at all times. Years ago the chief entertainment was the circus. In a circus two classes of entertainers drew the big money—the clowns and the trapeze artists, "loopers." The comedy was highly entertaining, to circus crowds; so were the dare-devil stunts. For some years one of the highest paid entertainers was the fellow who climbed to a platform at the top of a high ladder and dived into a small tank. That was a very entertaining stunt, because the spectators knew the diver would be cut in two if he hit the edge of the tank. The fight crowd looks for real entertainment only where a knock-out can be expected. Dempsey always was the greatest of all "drawing cards" because he was a savage knocker-out. Tunney is not yet much of a favourite because he couldn't knock Dempsey out when he had Jack blinded in the last two rounds at Philadelphia, and because it is suspected he will box carefully to protect his title in his next fight.

In the days of real fights the fighters didn't box on contracts for fixed percentages, win or lose or draw. They fought winner take all, or 75 per cent, to the winner and 25 to the loser. That made it a contest. Now the gent who considers himself the "drawing card" demands most of the money, and the second string man 'phones the promoter the day of the event and says he must have a bigger percentage or there'll be no fight. It's a great get-the-money game.

Wrestlers used to get pretty good money. It took the public many years to see that wrestling matches are almost invariably fak-

ed, especially among the "big" wrestlers. They programme these hefty boys months ahead. Wrestling is now regarded merely as an interesting exhibition of beef in action.

Tempting the Amateur.

There's money in some other sports. Professional golfers do very well, and some of them, who win championships, make fair fortunes in a year or two.

Tilden, the greatest tennis champion for many years, whose attempted comeback to championship form has hit a couple of rocks in France and England already this year, has steadily refused to play directly for money and become a professional. He has had money offers. Helen Wills, California art student, and best woman player in the world to-day, refused a big movie offer said to have totalled 240,000 dollars last year, and has flatly refused large cash offers to play professional tennis this year.

There always has been some money in amateur athletics. College baseball players have been known to pick up a living at summer baseball. Amateur tennis players spend summers as "entertainers" at summer hotels, expenses liberally paid. A small percentage of amateur track athletes make a living through their sport. I know of one cab driver who runs so well that he hasn't had to drive his cab for several years, and he never goes hungry. Another famous athlete, visiting this country, was paid 5,000 dollars for a single race. It's true he drew a huge gate, being very well advertised, and true that the A.A.U. allowed a professional promoter to run off the event on the ground that it was for a certain charitable cause. He gave a few dollars to the charity—about fifteen per cent. of the gate.

As a rule amateur athletics is genuinely amateur. Chances for making money are rare, and only a few athletes who have nothing better to do go out after the money anyway.

THE SHARE MARKET.

Stock. Hong Kong Stock Exchange.

T.T. on London 1/11 1/2
T.T. on Shanghai 78 1/2

Bank. Hongkong Bank \$1135 n
do. Lon. Reg. 251 n
Chartered Bank 251 n
Mercantile & A. B. 531 n
do. C. 513 n
P. & O. Bank 49 n
East Asia 363 n

Marine Insurance. Canton Insurance 570 n
China Underwriters 51 n
North China Insurance 423 n
Union Insurance 423 n
Yangtze Insurance 443 n

Fire Insurance. China Fire Insurance 5210 b
H.K. Fire Insurance 5600 b

Shipping. Douglas 338 b
H.K. Steamships 321 n
H.K. Tugs & Lighters 31 n
Indo-China (Pref) 380 n
do. (Def) 348 n
Shell Transport 35 n
Star Ferries 354 n
Water-works 317 n

Refineries. China Sugars 313 n
Malayan Sugars 330 n

Mining. Benguet 1170 n
Kailan Mining Ad. 58 n
Langkato (Combined) 1717 n
do. (Single) 78 n
Shanghai Exploration 7315 n
Shanghai Loans 75 n
Raubs H.K. 24 b

Tonkin Mines 19 n
Ural Caspian 5 n
Docks, Wharves, Godowns, &c. H.K. & W. Docks 335 n
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H.K. Territorial 31 n
Humphreys Estates 312 n
Prince's Building 395 n
Rural Lands 31 n

Cotton Mills. Ewo Cottons 77.65 n
Oriental 71 n
S'hai Cottons (old) 747 n
do. (new) 725 n

Buses, Trams, &c. China Buses 75 n
H.K. Tramways 320 n
Peak Trams (old) 314 n
do. (new) 37 n
Singapore Tractions 12/0 b
Taxis 31 n

Miscellaneous. H.K. Amusements 310 n
Canton Lacs 35 n
Cement (comb.) 37 n
do. (old) 35.80 n
do. (new) 31 n
China Lights (comb.) 32 n
do. (old) 30 n
do. (new) 34 n

China Prov. H.K. Constructions 31 n
Dairy Farms 315 n
H.K. Wings 36 n
H.K. Electric 37 n
Macao Electric 37 n
H.K. Buses (old) 310 n
do. (new) 35 n
Lane, Crawford 35 n
Mackintosh 32 n
Shanghai 35 n
United Alabaster 31 n
Wataons 31 n
Wm. Powell 35 n
H.K. Telephones 37 n
Nanyang Tobacco 37 n

PRICES: \$3, \$2 & \$1.

LONDON EXCHANGES.

London, Yesterday. Paris 174
New York 186 17/82
Brussels 84.98
Geneva 25.23
Amsterdam 12.13 1/2
Milan 89.30
Berlin 20.43
Stockholm 18.09
Copenhagen 18.17
Oslo 18.42
Vienna 34.62 1/2
Prague 163 1/2
Helsingfors 192 1/2
Madrid 28.11 1/2
Athens 368
Bucharest 785
Rio 5.55/64
Buenos Aires 47 15/16
Bombay 1/5 15/16
Shanghai 2/6
Hong Kong 1/11 1/2
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Soldiers Field in Chicago, America's largest outdoor Stadium, with Champion Gene Tunney, upper left. Former champion, and present challenger, Jack Dempsey, upper right. Promoter, Tex Rickard, in the foreground.

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On Paris—

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Credits 4 months sight 1225

On Berlin—

On demand 48
Credits 60 days sight 49 1/2

On Bombay—

On demand 131 1/2
Wire 131 1/2

On Calcutta—

On demand 131 1/2
Wire 131 1/2

On Singapore—

On demand 85 1/2
On Manila 96 1/2
On Shanghai 78 1/2
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Marine Insurance.

Canton Insurance 570 n
China Underwriters 51 n
North China Insurance 423 n
Union Insurance 423 n
Yangtze Insurance 443 n

Fire Insurance.

China Fire Insurance 5210 b
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Douglas 338 b
H.K. Steamships 321 n
H.K. Tugs & Lighters 31 n
Indo-China (Pref) 380 n
do. (Def) 348 n
Shell Transport 35 n
Star Ferries 354 n
Water-works 317 n

Refineries.

China Sugars 313 n
Malayan Sugars 330 n

Mining.

Benguet 1170 n
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Shanghai Loans 75 n
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New Engineering 312 n
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Hongkong Lands 358 n

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H.K. Territorial 31 n
Humphreys Estates 312 n
Prince's Building 395 n
Rural Lands 31 n

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do. (new) 725 n

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do. (new) 37 n
Singapore Tractions 12/0 b
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BOOK ON INDIA.

CAVE TEMPLES OF
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The Bagh Caves in the Gwalior State, published by the India Society in co-operation with the Department of Archaeology, Gwalior, for His late Highness Maharaja Sir Madhav Rao Scindia Alijah Bahadur, G.C.S.I., G.C.V.O., G.B.E., A.D.C., D.C.L., LL.D., with Text by Sir John Marshall, C.I.E., Litt.D., Mr. E. B. Havell, Lt.-Colonel C. E. Luard, C.I.E., Dr. Ph. Vogel. Limited Edition, Price £2; Kegan Paul & Co.

Sir John Marshall writes on this book:—

A work that for the first time reproduces in facsimile so remarkable a series of monuments as those of Bagh needs few words of recommendation to the public. It is enough to state that the Cave Temples of Bagh are among the most precious of India's art treasures; that they were hewn from the rock and adorned with sculptures and paintings at a time (6th-7th century A.D.) when Indian art was at its zenith; and that the wall and ceiling paintings preserved in them are—apart from those of Ajanta—the sole survivors of their kind in India. That any paintings at all should have escaped destruction in so tropical a climate must be accounted a but miracle; even more miraculous is it that these paintings should belong to the golden age of Indian art. How much would the world not give for samples such as these, time-worn and damaged as they are, of the paintings of Classic Greece. Yet it may be doubted if the pictures even of Polygnotus or Apollonius would have been more illuminating for the general history of Art, than these paintings of Ajanta and Bagh. For the School which they represent was the source from which half the Art of Asia drew its inspiration, and the surpassing genius of that School is apparent in every stroke of the artist's brush. No one who studies these paintings can fail to marvel at the grandeur of conception underlying them—at the rhythm of their composition, the stately pose of their figures, the wealth of imagery in their decorative motifs; nor, if he is familiar with the Buddhist Art of Central and Further Asia, can he fail to mark how deeply the spirit of the Indian School has impressed itself upon it.

The paintings of Bagh, unfortunately, are now so mutilated and faded that they are no longer susceptible, like those of Ajanta, of being reproduced by colour photography. So far, however, as hand copies can ever succeed in taking the place of mechanical ones, these, which the India Society is now publishing, will be found to do so. Infinite pains have been taken by the artists responsible for them, to ensure their being faithful to the originals in every detail of line and colour; and no less pains have been taken by Messrs. Stone & Son, over their reproduction. It is in its illustrations, needless to say, that the value of a publication such as this mainly resides, but it is fair to add that its value is sensibly increased by chapters on the art, iconography and architecture of these monuments contributed by Prof. J. Ph. Vogel, Colonel Luard, Mr. Havell and other expert writers.

Messrs. Kegan Paul & Co. remind readers of Lady Herringham's Work on the Ajanta Frescoes, which, published by the India Society a few years ago at a very moderate price, is now almost unobtainable.

MAP DRAWING GUIDE.

"Aids to Memory Map Drawing" is the name of a new local publication, of which only the authors' initials are given.

In handy form, the booklet will be found useful in schools. Helpful hints are given on an interesting and not too easy subject. The information is brief and clearly given.

Included in the book are thirty-seven maps, illustrating the principles pronounced.

Mr. Ip Hon-cheung, c/o the "Hong Kong Evening Post," No. 93, Hollywood Road, is the sole agent for the publication.

BOOK GOSSIP.

Edith Wharton's latest novel, "Twilight Sleep" (Appleton, 7s. 6d. net) is attracting a great deal of well-merited praise. It is a story typical of the present generation of those who live along Fifth Avenue. The author's works are widely read and enjoyed by many readers both in Britain and in America; her readers on this side of the Atlantic will find that "Twilight Sleep" gives, to the fullest measure, those qualities which they have learned to expect in all her works. It is a tense, haunting story.

The first cheap editions for the British Empire of the famous "Pollyanna" and "Miss Billy" novels will be published immediately by Harrap at 3s. 6d. net each. The same publishers will issue, towards the end of July, "Katy Kruse Dolly Book." The price of this charming book, which contains 12 full-page colour plates, accompanied by appropriate prose and verse by Rose Fyleman, is 5s. net.

Some of the most striking pictures by Mr. Frank Brangwyn, R.A., R.F.E., Hon. R.S.A., are to be found in an edition of Omar Khayyam's "Rubaiyat," published by Messrs. Sampson Low. Mr. Brangwyn's beautiful coloured plates will appear also in a new cheap edition which Sampson Low are issuing at the popular price of 3s. 6d. net.

Miss Florence Irwin, whose new Bridge book, "Bridge for Thinkers," is just being issued by Putnam, has recently been in London, where she is almost as well known in Bridge circles as in America. Miss Irwin is descended from the senior branch of Sir William de Irving, while Washington Irving—possibly the greatest of American authors, whose works, incidentally, Putnam also publish—is descended from the junior branch.

South American Publications, Ltd., have just issued the "Anuario Internacional," 1927-28. The "Anuario" is an international book of reference, issued annually, in the Spanish language, with a view to promoting trade between Great Britain and the Republics of Spanish-America. The price is 2s. 6d. net.

The New Readers' Library, the first 10 volumes of which have just been published by Gerald Duckworth & Co., Ltd., at 3s. 6d. net each, forms a new series of important copyright works by eminent modern authors. Special care and attention have been given to the format of these books, resulting in the production of volumes which will effect a good appearance on the shelves of the book lover's library.

While all the volumes in the series are of a high literary standing, it is to be noted also that the Library is rich in the literature of the open air. Such famous books as Hudson's "Green Mansions" and "Birds and Man," Tomlinson's "The Sea and the Jungle," Michael Fairless's "The Roadmender" are a few delightful books of the series in this category. A wealth of good literature is promised from such authors as Maurice Baring, Hilaire Belloc, Edmund Blunden, David A. W. Bone, James Oliver Curwood, William Gerhard, and many other authors equally famous.

New children's annual volumes continue to be added to an already full list. "The first Trail of the Girl Guides," which is to be published in September by Basil Blackwell, is to be issued at the request of the Girl Guide Association. The book will contain contributions by some of the best modern authors, including Rudyard Kipling, Marjorie Bowen, Ridgwell Cullum, W. Pett Ridge, and Walter de la Mare, and will be published at 6s. net. Another attractive children's annual to be published by Longmans, Green, entitled "The Children's Play-hour Book," 6s. net, should make a special appeal to both the literary and artistic senses of the younger generation. Famous contributors to the world of make believe, A. A. Milne, Rose Fyleman, Walter de la Mare, Stephen Southwold, and Eleanor Farjeon, will be found with many others in the pages of this annual. There is a feast in store in this charming book for the lucky child fortunate enough to secure a copy.

A NEW COMER.

MR. J. B. PRIESTLEY'S GREAT
ADVANCE.

Few newcomers in the world of literature have made such rapid strides as Mr. J. B. Priestley. It is a great thing for a man whose name was unknown so recently as the end of the war to have been chosen to contribute two volumes to the new series of "English Men of Letters." His monograph on "George Meredith" has already appeared, and has received a cordial welcome. The subject of the other is to be "Thomas Love Peacock." Last autumn Mr. Priestley delighted many readers by his first novel, "Adam in Moonshine." He has just made another venture in fiction by the publication of "Benighted," a tale whose action covers only twenty-four hours. Its scene is laid in a lonely house on the Yorkshire moors, to which its five characters come in search of shelter during a night of storm and rain. He has reached his widest constituency, however, through his essays, one of which appears every week in the "Saturday Review." A collection of them has been issued recently in a volume called "Open House."

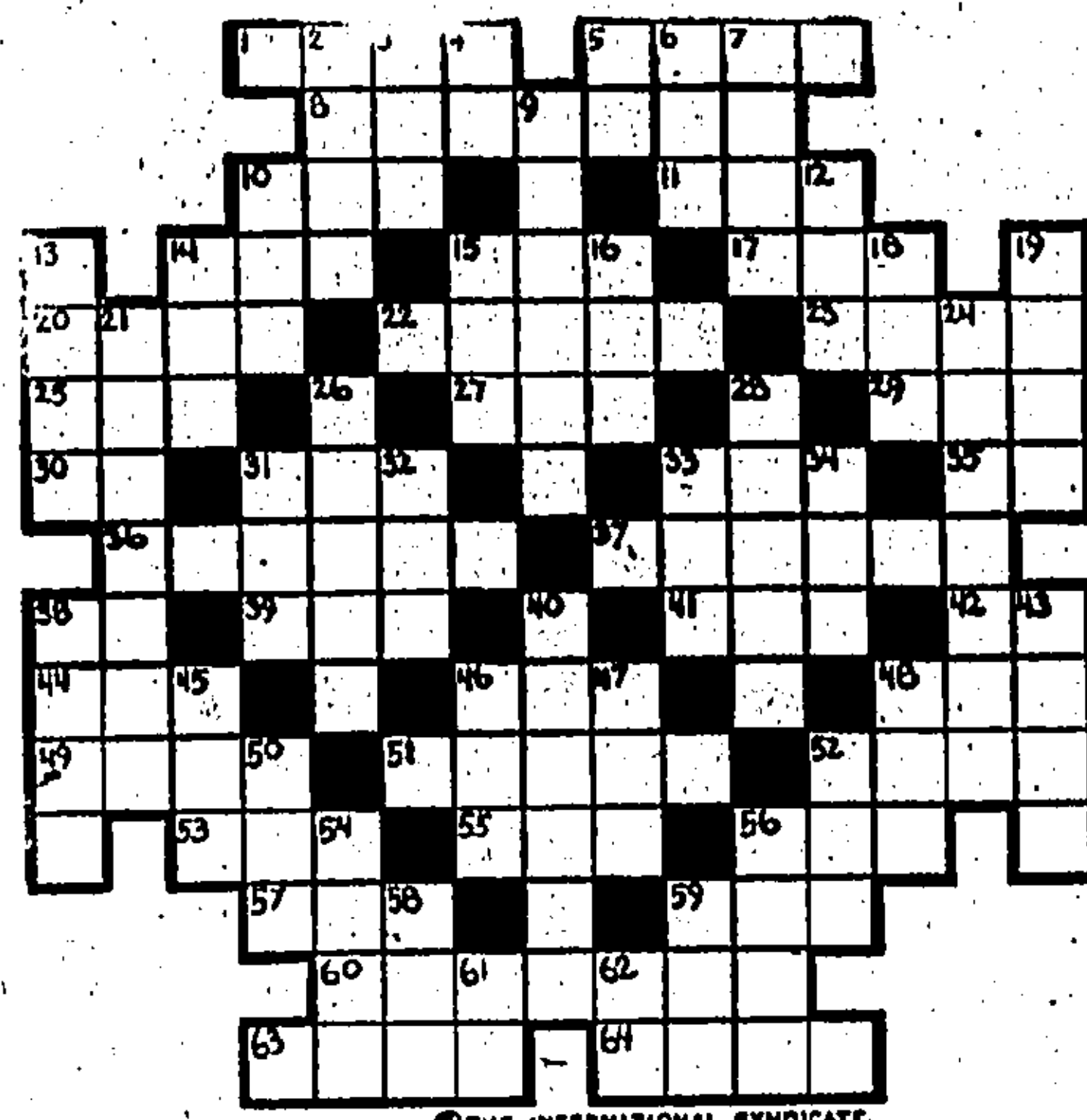
Mr. Priestley's experiences are worth nothing by literary novices. On returning to civil life after the war he went up to Cambridge, where he started writing for the Press, but found it extremely difficult to obtain a hearing outside the undergraduate periodicals and a certain Yorkshire paper. He sent essay after essay to the editors of weekly reviews, who returned them all without giving him a single word of appreciation. He was in despair, but still he wrote, corrected and wrote again. At last Mr. J. C. Squire recognised the promise showed in the articles Mr. Priestley had sent him, and told him so. This encouraged him to issue two little books through a Cambridge publisher. Immediately a number of critics, writing in papers that had formerly taken no notice of his proffered contributions, began to praise his work, and about ten publishers wrote to say they were looking out for young writers of his type. From that time onward his progress has been unimpeded.

NEW LIGHT ON GLADSTONE.

When arrangements were made for the preparation of a one-volume popular abridgment of Morley's "Life of Gladstone" no one could have anticipated the two coincidences that, fortunately for its publishers, have attended its actual publication. For one thing, the recent libel action brought by Captain Wright against Lord Gladstone has received public interest in the career of the great Victorian statesman. And, for another, the issue of Mr. F. W. Hirst's "Early Life and Letters of John Morley" has reminded the public of the literary distinction of Gladstone's biographer. The new book is by no means a mere condensation of the original work. It includes several new drawings and photographs, together with facsimiles of extracts from Gladstone's diaries and of the first page of his will. Of even greater interest is an introduction by Mr. C. F. G. Masterman, which supplies much information about various activities and characteristics which Lord Morley seems to have regarded as beneath the austere dignity of his own conception of the functions of a biographer. Mr. Masterman's charming picture of the domestic interior at Hawarden will be especially appreciated after the recent trial. He gives, too, a fuller account than has yet been available of that self-imposed rescue mission of Gladstone's which exposed him to the sinister comment that has now been disposed of once for all in the Law Courts. Another feature of this introduction is its author's skilful exposition of the remarkable way in which Gladstone's politics have come to fruition within the last few years—notably in the League of Nations, in the relation of the Dominions to the House Government, and in the bringing about of peace between Great Britain and Ireland.

DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



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HORIZONTAL

- 1-To slouch
- 2-Savage of cloth
- 3-The embankment around a fort
- 10-Small horse
- 11-Small hall
- 14-Worthless loafer
- 15-Conjunction
- 17-Part of body
- 20-To fly lightly
- 22-A man-eating fish
- 23-To breathe hard
- 25-Small island
- 27-Girl's name
- 28-Minute mark
- 30-A paper measure (abbr.)
- 31-Non-professional
- 32-To move slowly
- 33-Toward
- 35-A shore-bird
- 37-Volcanic island group, N. of Sicily, Italy
- 38-In this manner
- 39-To drag, as a boat
- 41-To follow persistently
- 42-Preposition
- 44-Apposite
- 45-Man's favorite animal
- 48-Single

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

- 49-Wholesome
- 51-Pertaining to revolutions of the moon
- 52-To indulge in reverie
- 53-Pulp, as of fruit
- 55-Poem
- 56-On account of
- 57-A stick or club
- 58-To ensnare
- 60-Deep part of a river
- 62-Part of verb "to be"
- 64-Confined

VERTICAL

- 2-To adjust, as sails
- 3-A shepherd's pipe
- 4-Afternoon (abbr.)
- 5-A musical note
- 6-To afflict with fatigue
- 7-Excitement
- 8-A canal that makes islands of two continents
- 10-Interjection, impatience
- 12-Slant
- 13-Remotely
- 14-A hand-sawing tool
- 16-Interjection, triumph

VERTICAL (Cont.)

- 16-To evaporate
- 18-Worthless (German)
- 21-A river, & Africa
- 24-Small ware
- 25-Rail
- 28-"The Island Kingdom"
- 31-Man whose wife was turned into pillar of salt (Bible)
- 32-A tree
- 33-Alighted
- 34-To nauseate
- 35-A flowering plant
- 40-Capital of world's greatest empire
- 43-To subvert
- 45-Vertex
- 46-Duet
- 47-To go (Scott.)
- 48-Possessive pronoun
- 50-A flat fish
- 53-Rabble
- 54-Rate of speed
- 56-To out down
- 58-Article
- 59-Very small
- 61-Article
- 62-Eastern State (abbr.)

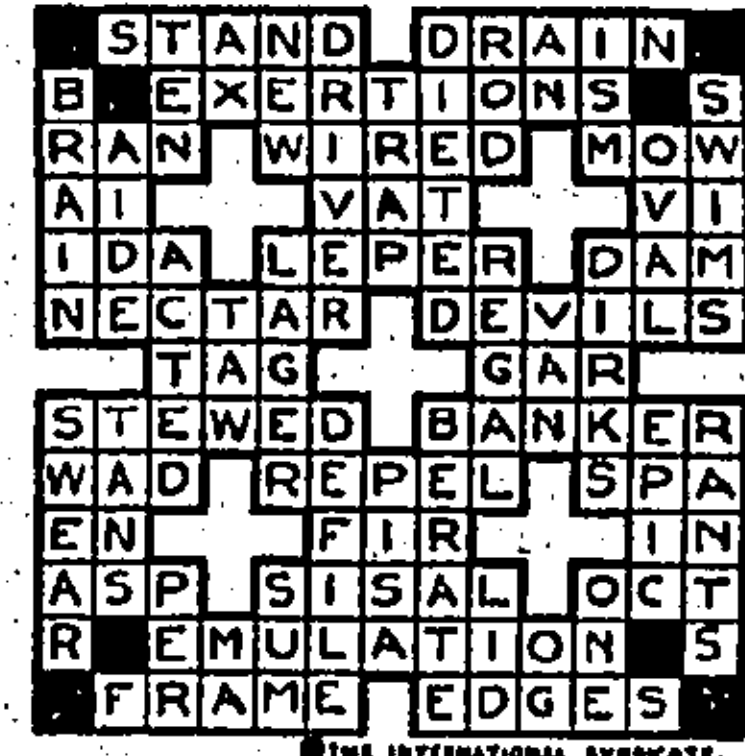
(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

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It is morally impossible but that the manners should take a tinge of good breeding and civilisation from having constantly before one's eyes the way in which the best-bred and the best informed men have talked and conducted themselves in their intercourse with each other. There is a gentle but perfectly irresistible coercion in the habit of reading over a man's character and conduct. It civilises the conduct of men—and suffers them not to remain barbarous.

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Letters and postcards for Europe and the British Isles are forwarded via Siberia if so superscribed.

INWARD MAILS.

From	Per
Japan, Shanghai and Europe via Siberia	FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 23 Katori Maru.
Shanghai	SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24 Shantung.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai	MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 26 Siberia Maru.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan & Shanghai	Pres. Monroe.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan & Shanghai	Pres. Madison.
Japan & Shanghai	TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27 Athos II.
Straits	Lahore.
Straits	SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2 Suwa Maru.
U.S.A., Canada, Japan & Shanghai	Pres. Pierce.

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Par	THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 22
Saigon	Solviken	3.30 p.m.
Samsui & Wuchow	Kochow	4.30 p.m.
Shanghai & Japan	Nuernburg	4.30 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy & Foochow	Hai Hong	Noon
Shanghai	Sunning	5 p.m.
Amoy	Hosang	5 p.m.
Halphong	Song Bo	5 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Aden Egypt & EUROPE via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 23rd Oct. K.P.O. Registration 4.30 p.m. Letters (24th Sept.) 9 a.m. G.P.O. Registration (24th Sept.) 8.45 a.m. Letters 9.30 a.m.	Katori Maru	SEPTEMBER 24
Amoy	Klungchow	5 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy & Formosa	Hozan Maru	9 a.m.
Swatow	Foo Shing	2.30 a.m.
Amoy	Soochow	5 p.m.
Manila	Pres. Monroe	5 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy & Foochow	Hai Ning	1 p.m.
Saigon, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Aden Egypt & EUROPE via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 28th Oct. Registration 1.45 p.m. Letters 2.30 p.m.	Athos II.	1.30 p.m.
Straits	Yuensang	4.30 p.m.
Manila	Pres. Madison	4.30 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan & Europe via Siberia	Lahore	5 p.m.
Swatow	Hopsang	8.30 a.m.
Samsui	Mausang	1.30 p.m.
Hothow, Pakhoi & Halphong	Teau	10.30 a.m.
Japan & Honolulu	Anyo Maru	10.30 a.m.
Straits	Van Overstraten	10.30 a.m.

*Correspondence bearing vessel's name only.

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TO END WAR. Arms And Security Steps at Geneva.

IMPORTANT RESOLUTION.

Powers To Say What Would Be
Done To Support League.

Geneva, Yesterday.

The Third Committee unanimously adopted a resolution embodying the combined German, French and Dutch proposals as regards arbitration, security and disarmament. The proposals include, firstly, the creation of a committee side by side with the preparatory disarmament Commission to consider measures calculated to afford all States guarantees of security and arbitration necessary to fix the level of their armaments at the lowest; secondly, the Council should request States to supply information as regards measures they would be prepared to take and what naval, military and aerial forces they were prepared to employ to support the decisions of the Council in the event of a conflict breaking out.—Reuter.

National Opinion.

The resolution follows the main lines of M. Boncour's text. M. Debrucqere, Belgium, supporting, pointed out that the resolution would endow the League with complete means to enforce the Covenant. The Swedish spokesman accepted the resolution in view of the chairman's assurance that the resolution involved no change in members' obligations as laid down in the Covenant. M. Nansen, Norway, and M. Pluegl, Austria, accepted the resolution on the same terms. Finally, on the suggestion of Lord Onslow, the foregoing observations were embodied in the report, which was adopted with acclamation.—Reuter.

SLAVERY TO GO.

ACTION IN SIERRA LEONE PROTECTORATE.

Sierra Leone, Yesterday. The Legislative Council are meeting this week, in special session, when at the urgent request of the Colonial Office, they will pass an Ordinance abolishing the legal status of slavery in Sierra Leone Protectorate. Slavery has already been abolished in Sierra Leone Colony. The Ordinance will operate from January 1, 1928. There are 220,000 slaves in the Protectorate.—Reuter.

Slavery in Abyssinia.

Geneva, Yesterday. The Slavery Committee of the League has received the report of the Abyssinian Government showing that in the three years ended in 1926 1,000 slaves were liberated and 187 slave traders sentenced, mostly to 15 years' imprisonment, while some of the more notorious were executed.—Reuter.

FRANCE & RUSSIA.

REPLY TO SOVIET PEACE OFFERS.

Paris, Yesterday. "Le Matin" says that the French Ambassador in Moscow, by the Quai d'Orsay's orders, informed Chicherin that France can enter into negotiations for the conclusion of a non-aggression pact only if the Soviet previously recall Rakowski (Soviet Ambassador in Paris) and comply with the formal engagement of non-interference into which the Soviet entered into on October 29, 1924, and make definite and irrevocable proposals for a settlement of Russia's debts.—Reuter.

U.S. AND MEXICO.

RESULT OF FINANCIER'S APPOINTMENT.

New York, Yesterday. Mr. Dwight Morrow's appointment as Ambassador to Mexico has caused a rush of buying in Mexican issues. The bond market prices advanced sharply from 1 to 4 points. The transactions represented nearly \$300,000.—Reuter's American Service.

THE CHIEF SCOUT. Sir R. Baden Powell and Nobel Prize.

A WORTHY RECIPIENT.

Boys Recommend Him For
Peace Award.

London, Yesterday.

According to Press telegrams from Copenhagen, the boy scouts of Norway, Sweden and Denmark have written to the International Scout Bureau in London suggest-



ing that the scout organisations of the whole world should propose the award of the Nobel Peace Prize next year to the Chief Scout, Sir Robert Baden Powell. The letter expresses the opinion that no movement better accords with the late M. Nobel's purpose than the boy scout movement, of which Sir R. Baden Powell was the founder.—British Wireless Service.

TRAVELLERS SAFE.

UNFOUNDED MURDER REPORTS.

Simla, Yesterday. It is learned from a reliable source that a party of three Europeans have arrived at Nagchuka. There is good reason to believe it is the party headed by the American missionary Prymire, including the German explorer, Dr. Filchner, which was en route to British territory via Ladakh and Kashmir.

Apparently the rumour that this party had been murdered originated in the robbery of the missionaries Duncan and Macleod while on their way to Burma from China.—Reuter.

[A message from Rangoon dated September 8 stated:—

A message from Lunnanfu states that two American families, named respectively Duncan and McLeod, who left Batang on June 27 for Burma overland, were attacked by bandits in the neighbourhood of Atuntse, Yunnan. The bandits fired and drove off the escorts and then robbed the Duncans of everything but clothes. The heroism of the McLeod's servants saved their hut and some articles. Nobody was wounded but a native servant was beaten. A French Catholic Priest and a Chinese merchant firm subsequently helped the party at Atuntse.]

STRIKE IN A BANK.

POLISH CALL FOR POLICE PROTECTION.

Warsaw, Yesterday. The management of the Disconto Bank, one of the largest Polish banks and German-controlled, has applied for police protection on account of a strike by the staff of one thousand for an increase in salary.—Reuter.

TO-DAY'S DOLLAR.

The closing rate of the dollar on demand to-day was 1/11 11/16

SPIES CONFESS.

Revelations At
Moscow.

TERRORISTIC ACTS.

Alleged Payments From Finland
For Information.

Moscow, Yesterday.

According to an official account of the trial mentioned yesterday Balmasov and Solsky admitted espionage for the preparation of terroristic acts. Samoilov and Aderkas confessed to espionage but repudiated terroristic motives. Balmasov, who was a Tsarist captain, allegedly declared he received 2,000 marks from an agent of the Finnish intelligence service for providing information of the military defence of Karelia.—Reuter.

"COME RIGHT IN."

BOY'S INVITATION TO
FRIEND.

A PEAK TRESPASS.

Before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy this morning, a Chinese was charged with trespassing into the servants' quarters of No. 263 The Peak without permission.

He said that he arrived from the country at 10 p.m., last night and went to the house to take a message to the house boy from the latter's mother. The "boy" invited him to spend the night there and he did so.

The "boy" was sent for, and he informed the Magistrate that he had asked his master's permission yesterday morning to allow his friend to spend one night in his quarters.

When the Magistrate informed him that the master had been present in Court and had said no permission had been given by him, the "boy" admitted that his previous statement was not true.

In fining the defendant \$10, the Magistrate remarked to the "boy" that it was up to him to help the defendant to pay half the fine as it was his fault that the defendant had got into trouble. He should not have invited the defendant to spend the night there until he had obtained his master's permission.

AMERICAN LEGION.

PILGRIMAGE TO VERDUN BATTLE FIELD.

Verdun, Yesterday. General Pershing and 400 American Legionaries crossed a territory rich in war memories to pay a pilgrimage to Verdun where they were greeted at the station by M. Poincare, who at luncheon recalled the legionaries' fine war record. He said the Americans were always assured of a most cordial welcome in France and toasted the "immortal friendship between France and the United States."

Paris, Yesterday. The American Legion gave a banquet in honour of M. Doumergue, who announced that Gen. Savage had been made Commander of the Legion of Honour.—Reuter.

GERMAN FLIGHT.

Angora, Yesterday. Koennecke, the German aviator, arrived here at 8.30 this morning.—Reuter.

FAIR WEATHER.

"East winds, moderate, fair," is the official weather forecast until noon to-morrow. The northern portion of the anticyclone has moved eastward, leaving a feeble anticyclone over China. There are indications of a depression or typhoon south west of the Bonins.

A telephone wire broke in Des Vaux Road, near the Central Market yesterday afternoon. It fell across an electric wire and became "live". A ladder from the Fire Station went to the scene, and the broken wire was removed. No one was injured.

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